

Colder

The Valley: Partly cloudy and much colder Sunday; Monday fair and slightly warmer. Strong northerly winds, diminishing Sunday night.

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BELGIUM MOBILIZES TO MEET GERMANY
Cold Blasts Sweep Texas, Valley Gets Storm WarningDUST STORM,
SNOW, GALES
HIT TEXASLight Norther Is Due
In Valley

By The Associated Press
Gales, blizzards, dust storms and balmy temperatures was the weather mixture served Texans Saturday night, as frigid temperatures rode out of the Rocky Mountains on strong winds. Livestock warnings were issued for northwest Texas.

Just to add to the picture the weather bureau ordered storm warnings on the Texas coast from Port Arthur to Brownsville.

Gale Hits Odessa
Odessa reported a 62-mile gale struck the Permian Basin, starting temperatures skidding from a maximum of 54 degrees. Bus drivers reported the entire south plains area whipped by the gale. No damage was reported but visibility was two blocks as the year's first dust storm accompanied the high winds. A 50-mile wind lashed Pecos, bringing snow and sub-freezing temperatures.

From Amarillo came reports of a blizzard with snow, whipped by a 38-mile wind, covering the entire Panhandle. In the Stratford vicinity, north, several inches of snow fell with drifts as much as two feet deep. The temperature sagged to the low twenties early in the day and remained there. The snow was expected to end before morning but a mercury reading of as low as 14 was forecast with continuation of the strong winds.

A duster, carried on a 35-mile wind, blew into San Angelo and temperatures skidded from a maximum of 72. Colder was the forecast.

Big Spring also experienced a heavy duster and a 38-mile wind. Temperatures were dropping with the reading 41 at 6 o'clock. Several spans of electric light wires were down.

Snow At Lubbock

Snow and 16-degree temperatures were expected at Lubbock as a 25-mile wind whipped off the northwest. It was 31 degrees there at 6 p.m. El Paso had a 38-mile wind this morning but it moderated during the day. Colder was the forecast.

A light norther struck Plainview in the afternoon and there was a possibility of snow by morning. Temperature dropped from 43 to 27 at 3 p.m., but had risen one degree two hours later.

Snowflurries and a sharp north wind accompanied 24-degree weather at Borger. Wichita Falls had a duster riding on a 25-mile wind. The mercury was falling.

Austin reported a balmy 71 maximum during the day but awaited colder weather Sunday. Occasional rains also were forecast. At Galveston the forecast was for rain and colder weather Sunday, while Corpus Christi's promise was occasional thunderstorms.

A north wind carried the storm, a mixture of snow and sleet, southward into the Oklahoma Panhandle.

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Cabinet Quits

Japan Faces Crisis
Over U. S. Pact

TOKYO — The cabinet of Prime Minister Nobuyuki Abe resigned Sunday, in a decision closely connected with Japanese relations with the United States.

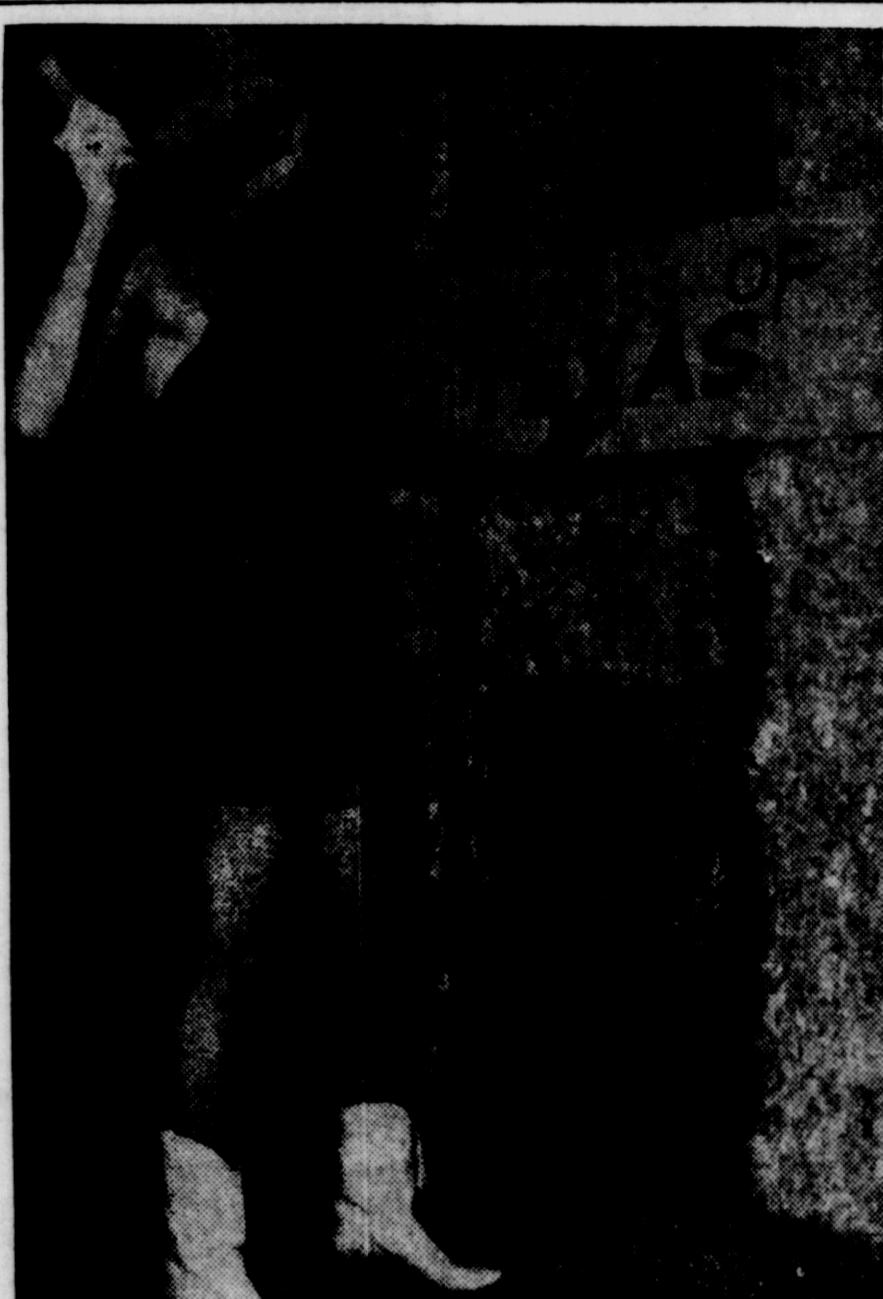
Japanese army and government leaders alike were exerting pressure on Prince Fumimaro Konoye, former premier and president of the privy council, to take over Abe's post. A number of political persons believed he would accept.

Abe's resignation had been expected for several days, following upon predictions that his government would fall if the United States declined to react favorably to Japan's proposals for reopening the lower Yangtze to third power trade. This was considered as an overtone to facilitate a new trade understanding with the United States when the present treaty is terminated—upon Washington's initiative—January 26.

Nuevo Laredo Police Hold Ship Deserters

MEXICO CITY — Arrest in Nuevo Laredo of two deserters from the German passenger ship Orinoco now refugee in Tampico was announced Saturday night by the government. The men were returned to the vessel.

The Farmer's Daughter



Now shift your eyes slightly to the right and you'll see that The Farmer's Daughter, theme girl for the Valley Mid-Winter Fair, is pounding away on a float to be used by tourists in their Parade of States. It is estimated that over one thousand (count 'em) automobile will be entered by Valley visitors in this unusual event.

Maybe It's Up To Lillie After All; Joe Stumped

Fair Officials Still Promise Rain For The Valley's Thirsty Farmlands

HARLINGEN — More philosophical about the business than at first when the introduction of an interloper was announced, Harlingen Bonehead Club officials and Harlingen's Rainmaker, Joe Junkin, had cooled off Saturday, and "hoped" aloud that it would rain before January 23, opening date for the annual Valley Mid-Winter Fair here.

Junkin, at first furious at the announcement that the Fair would import Miss Lillie Stoate from Oxford, Miss., to bring Valley farmers rain, said Saturday that "It'll rain sometime, it always has," and seemed more jovial about the entire matter, as if he had an ace up his sleeve.

Can Hardly Wait
Miss Stoate, in letters to Fair Manager Sidney Kring, who thought up the idea in the first place, intimated she could hardly wait to put in an appearance in the Valley, and that she was anxious to bring relief to this drought-stricken area.

When asked why it had not rained after he boasted "it will rain within 24 hours," Junkin said a week ago that business had been too pressing for him to concentrate on the matter, but that he was developing a technique which would permit him to manage his business and sit on the bank of Lake Harlingen too. Junkin would not discuss his technique.

Very Unselfish
Kring said Saturday he and Fair Association officials still thought they were "mighty philanthropic" in bringing a rainmaker here to a service station.

From Buffalo they drove to Dew, turned off the highway there and were last seen speeding through Teague.

Crane said one of the convicts had picked the lock of his handcuffs. They persuaded Crane to stop the car north of Buffalo where Crane was slugged and the other two released from their shackles in the back of the prison sedan.

Harrison Plan Dead, Conceded By Backers

WASHINGTON — Supporters of the Harrison plan to create a joint congressional budget-making committee conceded Saturday that it was dead for this session, but Senate economy advocates made it clear they would wage a vigorous fight to prevent any increase in President Roosevelt's budget.

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Just Wait Until This Theater Has Gone With Wind'

BRISTOL, Conn.—The Bristol Theatre will not show "Money To Burn," the feature it advertised for Sunday.

A \$50,000 fire destroyed the theatre Saturday.

Almazan Is Seeking Rebellion, Foes Say

MEXICO CITY — Leaders of the dominant revolutionary bloc of the Mexican congress Saturday initiated a movement that threatened to curb Mexico's press and charged that General Juan Andre Almazan, leading anti-government presidential candidate, was trying to start a rebellion which would lead to intervention by the United States.

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DR. MONTAGUE TRIAL OPENS IN EDINBURG

Humphrey Is Missing; Defense Ready

EDINBURG — The whereabouts of P. C. Humphrey, San Antonio salesman injured in a shooting last April 20 which took the life of Mrs. Velma Montague, remained a mystery here Saturday as preparations went forward for opening of the trial Monday of Dr. L. J. Montague, husband of the slain woman, who is charged with her death.

Plans of both state and defense counsel in the case likewise remained secret. Judge Bryce Ferguson in criminal district court will call the case at 9 a.m. Monday.

Whether Humphrey will be presented as a state's witness could not be learned.

Witnesses Called

Several witnesses have been subpoenaed for the trial.

District Attorney Tom Hartley will head the state's counsel, aided by Jack Ross and Truman Sanders, assistants on his staff.

Lieutenant Governor Coke R. Stevenson of Junction, who arrived in Edinburg last Thursday, will be chief of defense counsel. Other members are D. F. Strickland of Mission and State Senator Rogers Kelley of Edinburg. The staff represents one of the most prominent groups of attorneys to serve on a Valley case in years.

There was no indication from either side Saturday but that it would be ready to announce for trial.

A special venue of 200 has been summoned for the case.

The trial has been postponed once. Originally set for November 13, it was called on that date but continued to January 15 because of the serious illness of Mrs. Stevenson, an upstate city. Since that time her condition has improved.

Defense Secretive

Thus far defense counsel has given no hint that a change of venue will be asked. Senator Kelley scoffed at reports that such a motion is planned.

The trial has grown out of an indictment charging Dr. Montague with the slaying of his wife, a prominent business woman and civic leader here for several years. Shortly after the shooting, in which the San Antonio man was hurt, Dr. Montague gave himself up to officers. He has been a leading professional man here for a number of years.

Citrus Meeting

Hidalgo Men Convene To Hold Price

EDINBURG — Citrus growers, shippers, bankers and business men of this community will meet Monday at 8 p.m. at the high school auditorium here to draft a program for enforcement of the Valley's new \$10 minimum price on grapefruit.

The mass meeting was called Saturday by members of the Texas Citrus Producers Protective Association, in this area, according to Jack Berry, local grower.

W. D. Woodroof of Edinburg, former enforcement officer for Commissioner McDonald's \$10 minimum price program, which subsequently was held invalid by the courts, will preside.

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Jews Facing Starvation?

Nazis Deny Ration Cards, Cut Food Supplies

BERLIN — Germany's Jews, already subjected to extensive restrictions, have received another shock in calling for ration cards for the period of Jan. 15 to Feb. 11.

They found that coupons for a total of 125 grams almost four

and one-half ounces) of meat and all coupons for packed vegetables—such as peas, beans and lentils—were invalidated as far as they were concerned.

They further were denied certain general ration cards recently issued to all other Germans to enable them to obtain certain extras when the Nazi regime finds itself able to grant something beyond the ordinary daily allotment.

From time to time, for instance, a small quantity of sweets may be purchased upon presentation of a special card from which a coupon is clipped.

Jews must have the letter J stamped on their ration cards, enabling a tradesman to declare he has not in stock what the Jews ask for or in other ways to discriminate against them.

Jews are barred from appear-

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ing at the Bristol Theatre to see "Money To Burn," the feature it advertised for Sunday.

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Miss Norma Lou Ewers, duchess from Mission in the Texas Citrus Fiesta ending Sunday at Mission, was awarded first place in the costume division of the Citrus Style Show held Friday night. The costume is a Scarlett O'Hara gown, of inner pink grapefruit rag dried to resemble lace. The first place award was \$55. Miss Ewers was sponsored by the Women's Tuesday Club of Mission. (Staff Photo.)

Races, Golf Tourney Will End Big Fiesta Sunday

Citrus Style Show To Be Repeated In Harlingen

MISSION — The Sixth annual Mission Citrus Fiesta will come to a close Sunday, with a series of events including races, a golf tournament and union religious services.

The union religious meeting, to begin at the Methodist church here at 7:30 p.m., will be the Fiesta's final event. Harry Hines, state highway commissioner, will be the principal speaker.

For the second successive day, there will be midget auto races, with large crowds again expected to attend the full card of events at the American Legion Speed Bowl.

Tournament Featured

The Golden Grapefruit Golf Tournament will be another feature of the closing day, with golfers from every Valley city expected to be in the field that tees off at Sharyland course in competition for a handsome list of awards.

Second presentation of the Citrus Style Show, for benefit of those who could not see it the first time, will be given at the municipal auditorium in Harlingen Sunday at 3 p.m. Admission will be 40 cents with no seats reserved.

The children's parade was judged in three divisions Saturday, with total of 78 children taking part. The three divisions were judged by as many groups of judges, all winter visitors. The children entered in age from 11 months to 12 years. \$10 in prizes were awarded in each division.

Charlotte Gibbs, eight years old, won first in the pet parade, second place going to six-year-old Tommy Walden and third place to six-year-old Joyce Murdock. Judges were Dr. Paul Jackiness of Omaha, Neb., Mrs. F. E. Bennett of Schaller, Iowa, and Mrs. W. R. Thomas of Highland Park, Ill.

In the doll buggy division, Paty Low Levens, age four, won first prize, second going to 18-year-old Tommy Willey, five years old, and third to Celia Welch, 19 months old. Judges were Mrs. Lawrence Bergland of Minneapolis, W. A. Thomas of Highland Park, Ill. and Mrs. Nellie Kemp of Dallas, Texas.

In the bicycle division, Paty Low Levens, age four, won first prize, second going to 18-year-old Tommy Willey, five years old, and third to Celia Welch, 19 months old. Judges were Mrs. Lawrence Bergland of Minneapolis, W. A. Thomas of Highland Park, Ill. and Mrs. Nellie Kemp of Dallas, Texas.

Bicycle Division

Marilyn Osburn, aged eight, won first in the bicycle division, with June and Joan Bunch, five-year-old twin girls taking second, and Paty Gay Red, 11 years, third. Judges were Mrs. Pierre Tartouze of Millwood, Va., Mrs. E. G. Zey of Butler, Mo., and Mrs. Paul Jackiness of Omaha, Neb.

In the fruit packers contest held at the Mission Theatre at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Mrs. Joyce Carson of Lindsay Gardens took first in the

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By A. D. HAWKINS

BROWNSVILLE — The music of the surf sounded an ominous note for Artie Shaw, the nation's No. 1 swing band leader, when he broke a leg in rescuing an 18-year-old girl from drowning near Acapulco, Mexico, recently.

Still on crutches, and with his right leg in a cast, he changed planes Saturday afternoon at the Brownsville airport en route from Mexico City to Hollywood.

The idol of the jitterbugs has his leg splintered in three places.

He rescued Ann Chapman, 18, student of the Geneva College for Women, who had been knocked senseless by heavy breakers at the Mexican bathing resort.

Bathers lolling on the beach didn't offer immediate assistance. They thought the pair were playing.

Shaw is en route to Hollywood, Calif., to negotiate with a motion picture concern over possibly directing, or appearing in a series of musical shorts.

His last motion picture was MGM's "Dancing Coed."

He said he doesn't know whether Shaw is here to stay, but he said,

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Artie Shaw, Swing King Proves He's Hero, Too

Breaks Leg While Saving Girl's Life In Mexico; Says Music 'Here To Stay'

BRUSSELS —

Cameron County's Tax Collections Increase 16.6 Per Cent

GREAT GAIN IS SHOWN IN YEAR TOTALS

\$1,066,807 Taken In
By R. T. Agar

BROWNSVILLE—A 16.6 per cent increase, \$106,070.02, in tax collections for districts represented by his office was indicated in figures for the calendar years of 1933 and 1938, released Saturday by Cameron County Tax Assessor-Collector Ralph T. Agar.

Collections totaling \$1,066,807.39 for 1939 were compared with 1938's total of \$960,737.37.

Collection of taxes current in 1939 totaled \$629,581.22, an increase of 34.7 per cent, \$162,193.46, over the 1938's \$467,387.76.

A drop was indicated in poll tax collections for 1939, only \$12,741.27 being taken in as compared to \$18,639.25 in 1938, county, state and congressional election year.

Occupation tax collections increased slightly, with \$828.54 collected in 1939 compared to \$792.62.

Bear-wine-liquor tax collections fell off for 1939, with \$8,677.44 collected for the year as compared with 1938's \$9,371.21.

Inheritance tax collections totaled \$5,329.64 in 1939. None was collected in 1938.

Delinquent tax collections fell off, with \$187,075.04 collected in 1939 as compared to \$247,848.81 for 1938.

Motor vehicle registration tax collections gained for 1939, with \$222,574.24 collected as compared to 1938's \$217,297.72. A check with County Auditor L. A. Bauer showed the county kept \$131,342.22 of the motor vehicle fees in 1939 as compared to \$128,450.43 in 1938.

Mr. Agar's figures included collection of taxes for state and county and for taxing districts consolidated with his office.

Delinquent tax collections for five-year periods are as follows: 1924 to 1929—\$728,759.12; 1929 to 1934—\$736,463.79; 1934 to 1939—\$1,181,186.38.

Re-assessment of delinquent taxes under the McKenzie opinion began in 1936, to aid collection of delinquent tax until it was halted December 31, 1939. During that period delinquent taxes totalled \$1,282,400 were re-assessed to total \$961,815.79.

Taxes several years delinquent received little reduction in "principal," Mr. Agar said, because penalty and interest on taxes delinquent in 1934 or before amounts to 35.2 per cent at present. Penalty and interest on taxes delinquent in 1935 amounts to 32 per cent; 1936, to 26 per cent; 1937, to 1938, to 14 per cent.

"With many districts levying taxes each year based on anticipated collections, it is imperative some drastic action be taken to collect delinquent tax, to prevent the burden of taxation from being carried by those who pay taxes," Mr. Agar declared. In some districts the amount of delinquent tax exceeds the amount of debt.

Mr. Agar has proposed summary sales procedure for property on which tax is delinquent. "If possible to operate under section 15, article eight of the constitution, even though the legislature has not passed an enabling act, or under statutes enacted by the legislature in 1876."

County commissioners have invited officials of all taxing districts in the county to attend their meeting Wednesday, when it is expected John T. Smith, former state official and now a practicing attorney and editor of the *Tax Journal*, will discuss summary sales again.

"After delinquent taxes have been cleared from the record it will be necessary to reduce the bond debt in certain districts in order that the current tax may be collected," Mr. Agar declared.

Some districts have refinanced, or refunded, their bonds on the basis of present valuations and conditions. Others have not and are "working a hardship on those districts which have refinanced and are interested in paying off their just debt," Mr. Agar said. "The taxpayer, when he deems one tax unfair or unjust, refuses to pay any tax, realizing any tax delinquent constitutes a lien against his property."

Boneheads Help

Underpass Suggested To Judge Dancy

HARLINGEN—Officials of the Harlingen Bonehead Club, after hours of secret conferences here Saturday night, announced they would put a proposition to Cameron County Judge Oscar C. Dancy about the much-discussed parallel highway from Harlingen to San Benito.

"If Judge Dancy will come up here and stretch out straight this present highway he built so crooked," Big Bone Jack King explained, "we will agree to them to underpass both Harlingen and San Benito and come up in the middle of the Brownsville turning basin if they want to."

King said the Bonehead Club had agreed that if ships in the turning basin wanted to use the underpasses, they were at perfect liberty to do so.

One Victim Claimed By Hit-Run Driver

DALLAS—(P) A man tentatively identified by papers in his pocket as Luke Gordon Sparkman was injured fatally Saturday night by a hit and run driver.

Police said the identity of the driver was known.

Man Who Made Coolidge Smile' Now In Valley Painting Local Portraits

Pierre Tartoue Is
Byrd's Cousin;
Visits Here



Pierre Tartoue, Famed Artist

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been stationed in the Valley during the 1916 border troubles.

Mr. Tartoue has painted several members of the Du Pont and Hutton families, innumerable state governors, and the presidents of three South American countries.

Among the many reviews of Mr. Tartoue's work by eminent art critics of the world, most of them stress that he has an old master touch—a quality most certain to make the portraits those which no "vogue" will replace.

One critic told of Mr. Tartoue having been offered and paid the

highest fees for commissions to do portraits than any artist ever received in his lifetime. He has received as much as \$30,000 for a single painting.

Possessing a charming and friendly personality, the artist believes the fact that artists are usually temperamental. Showing gaiety and wit and above all a friendly interest in those about him, Mr. Tartoue reveals one secret of his success—a sympathetic understanding of his fellow man, which he is able to capture and transfer to the canvas.

Economics is scheduled to be offered to senior students to allow them to take a course to replace solid geometry, which was concluded with mid-term examinations Friday.

Commercial arithmetic will replace the second year of algebra, which was concluded with mid-term examinations. Economics has not been offered in the school before.

Winners were announced as follows:

Mixed debate—Ada, (Okla.) Teachers, represented by Norma J. Emery and Paul Swinford, defeated Baylor, represented by Mary Louise Gehring and Davis Nordyke.

Junior women's—Denton Teachers, Betty Jane Timlin and Neima Williams, defeated Baylor, Eloise Lewis and Byrdie Whitehead.

OBITUARY

LOUIS B. WEED

McALLEN—Louis B. Weed, retired mining engineer, died at his home here on North 10th street Friday night. Born at Texarkana, Tex., he graduated from the University of Wisconsin. He was employed by the U. S. Steel Corporation and was general superintendent of their Colorado mines for 23 years.

He came to McAllen in 1930. He is survived by his wife, Gilberta.

The Christian Science service will be read by Lucius E. Leach at 4 p.m. Sunday at the Kreidler Funeral Chapel. Interment will be in the McAllen Cemetery. Pallbearers will be R. W. Shook, B. J. Madison, J. R. Ragland, A. M. Weir, E. A. Elliott and H. H. Herron.

MRS. LAURA WHITFIELD

HARLINGEN—Funeral services for Mrs. Laura Whitfield, 78, who died of burns at 2:05 a.m. Saturday, will be held at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the Stoller-Burdette chapel.

Survivors include the father, D. L. Wyrick; step-mother, Mrs. D. L. Wywick; four brothers, Ira E. of Santa Rosa, Roy E. of Combes, Luther R. and Otha A. of Harlingen; and three sisters, Mrs. B. B. Turner, Queen City, Texas; Mrs. Howard Dumas, Combes, and Mrs. Archie Tally, Emerson, Ark.

Active pallbearers will be Earl Spencer of Santa Rosa, Ray Burns, Darrell Frizzell, Ray Lewis and

ANNA HELEN RAGLAND

HARLINGEN—Anna Helen Ragland, one and one-half years, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Hugh M. Ragland, of Gilmer, died Monday at Gilmer, according to information from her, and burial was held Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. Gilmer had visited in Harlingen frequently, and were well known here. Miss Inez Humphries, Harlingen, returned from the services Saturday.

D. E. WYRICK

COMBES—Funeral services for Doyl Ernest Wywick, 23, who died at 2 a. m. Friday at his home on Altas Palmas road, will be held at 3 p. m. Sunday at the Church of Christ in Combes, with Brother W. W. Gaddis officiating. Interment will be in Combes cemetery. Statler-Burdette Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

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O'DANIEL SPEECH

COPIES WILL TELL

ABOUT VALLEY

McALLEN—Copies of the Jan. 7 broadcast in which Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel volubly praised the Lower Rio Grande Valley will be printed by the McAllen Chamber of Commerce for distribution as Valley advertising matter, Manager Paul T. Vickers announced Saturday.

The governor sent the chamber a copy of the speech and granted permission for its use in publicizing the Valley.

Persons or firms wishing copies printed for them must inform the chamber of the number desired not later than Monday so the order may go to the printers. Single copies or groups numbering no more than 12 will be handed out by the chamber free of charge. Large orders will be supplied at the actual cost of printing, Vickers said.

Jack Howel of Harlingen, and Robert Adams of Combes.

Honorary pallbearers are Buddy Foster of Combes, Bill Bell, Jack Funk, Norman Williams and J. T. Hipp of Harlingen, Floyd Huie of Rio Hondo and Sam Sparks of Santa Rosa.

Australia has enjoyed a favorable balance of trade every year since 1929.

Majority Favor Wider Highway

Business Men In Harlingen Are Questioned

Opinion is almost evenly divided in Harlingen over whether the present San Benito-Harlingen highway should be widened or a parallel highway be built. The edge, however, goes to widening of the present right-of-way. Below are brief interviews with Harlingen business men.

MIKE GILBERT, Harlingen, engineer: "I like the idea of a new parallel road, it would go through farm country where there is now no road, open up a new country. The present highway is rough and uncomfortable to ride on."

MRS. MARIE GRAPPERHAUS, Harlingen: "I'm in favor of the parallel highway, one that would skirt the town and not congest our traffic even more, I favor the new road because it would relieve some of our traffic problems."

ROBERT ADAMS, Harlingen, Martin-Linen Supply: "I would not favor the original plan of skirting Harlingen with a new road. If it were to come down Commerce avenue, for example, it would help the town a great deal. Widening of the present highway south from Harlingen would be a great boon, too."

SHERWOOD JOHNS, Harlingen, hotel clerk: "I haven't thought much about it, but I would think a road through town would benefit Harlingen greatly."

PAUL BROWN, Harlingen, attorney: "I used to fight for highways going through towns, but in recent years I've come to the opinion that a city is best served by a road if it skirts the center of things, with convenient means of traffic getting up-town if motorists want to."

ALFRED TAMM, Harlingen, engineer: "As an engineer I would always build a road around a town; as a business man in Harlingen, I would like to see a road coming through here somewhere. But first of all I would work for the widening of the existing highway to San Benito and Brownsville."

HOWARD ANDERSON—Widen the present road first. A parallel road would cost much more, and everybody has enough taxes now."

J. L. CADY—I want the parallel road. I think a loop would be worth more to us than widening the present road.

R. B. HAMILTON, insurance: "I would like to see a new road at least hit the edge of town. Widening the present highway south from Harlingen would be a great boon, too."

Many other men interviewed for their opinions on the subject either would not be quoted for business or political reasons, or had not formed a definite opinion with the meager information at their disposal.

FRED SCROGGINS, Harlingen, typewriters: "A new road through the business district would help Harlingen."

DAN HESLUP, Harlingen, cafe: "I haven't thought much about it, but my opinion would be that since our present approaches to Harlingen are so unsightly a new one from the north would be more receptive to beautification. Our town gets a sore eye before the motorists ever gets here, the way the existing roads are laid out."

T. S. HERREN, Harlingen, real estate: "I would favor the parallel road. It seems more reasonable. In other cities I like the highways skirt the main part somewhat, but also have a convenient way of getting up-town if motorists want to go through town and then onto the main route again."

A. C. PATE AND L. PATE—Above all things we don't want to see a road go around Harlingen. It hurts any town. We should at least have a cutoff into Harlingen if we get a parallel road. A widened road would answer our purpose for many years to come."

LULACS FAVOR HOUSING WORK

Inclusion Of Rural Project Asked

BROWNSVILLE—Members of Brownsville Council Number Three of the League of United Latin American Citizens at a special meeting Saturday adopted a resolution asking inclusion of rural housing in the federal government's low rent housing program.

The resolution endorsed the program now under way in urban areas and declared its approval of passage of legislation to extend the benefits of public housing to rural areas of the nation.

A bill to include areas in the United States Housing Authority's scope passed the senate during the last session of congress and is now pending in the house of representatives. A project is to be sought for Cameron county.

Two additional members were named to the council's committee handling organization of a council-sponsored Boy Scout troop. I. Longoria and R. Duarte were named to work with present committee, Juan Tijerina, chairman. J. T. Canales and Joe Martinez, Jr. With Reynaldo G. Garza as scoutmaster and Henry Brulay as assistant scoutmaster, the troop already has begun meetings, at the city hall each Friday, with 20 boys enrolled. The troop charter is to be applied for immediately, according to E. B. Duarte, president of the Brownsville Lulac council.

He plans to leave for Mexico City next week.

CHARLES TAROWSKI

Sure, The Kenedy Highway Is Open! HIGUERA GETS BORDER HELP

Tourist Drives Over Famous Road On Bicycle; Has Trouble With Fences

HARLINGEN—You can't tell Charles Tarowski, Duluth, Minn., that the Kenedy county highway isn't already opened. He's driven over it—on a bicycle!

He arrived in Harlingen Saturday, possibly the first tourist to negotiate the famous highway. He plans to continue to Brownsville, meet another bicycle traveler, and ride to Mexico City.

"The bridges are all completed, but very little work is now being done on the highway," he said Saturday. "The parts that are completed are excellent, being far wider than normal. I got onto the highway by mistake, not knowing that it was under construction. I had to lift my bike across a few fences to get through. I saw no wildlife, although I'm told there is plenty of game around there. But all I saw was a couple of dead rabbits. It's a lonesome ride."

Young Tarowski, who has been engaged in ladies ready-to-wear work, in the U. S. lighthouse service on the Great Lakes, and in the wholesale grocery business, has been touring since last October. Only in recent weeks, though, has he abandoned his car for a bicycle.

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CHARLES TAROWSKI

MATAMOROS—Backers of Francisco A. Higuera Jimenez, who recently tossed his hat into the Tamaulipas state political ring as a 1940 gubernatorial candidate, Saturday had established a district office in Matamoros.

Higuera Jimenez is opposed at present by Magdaleno C. Aguilar, with agrarian backing, and Guillermo Shears, with backing of the Almazan party. The new candidate has semi-official backing of part of the agrarian and union groups.

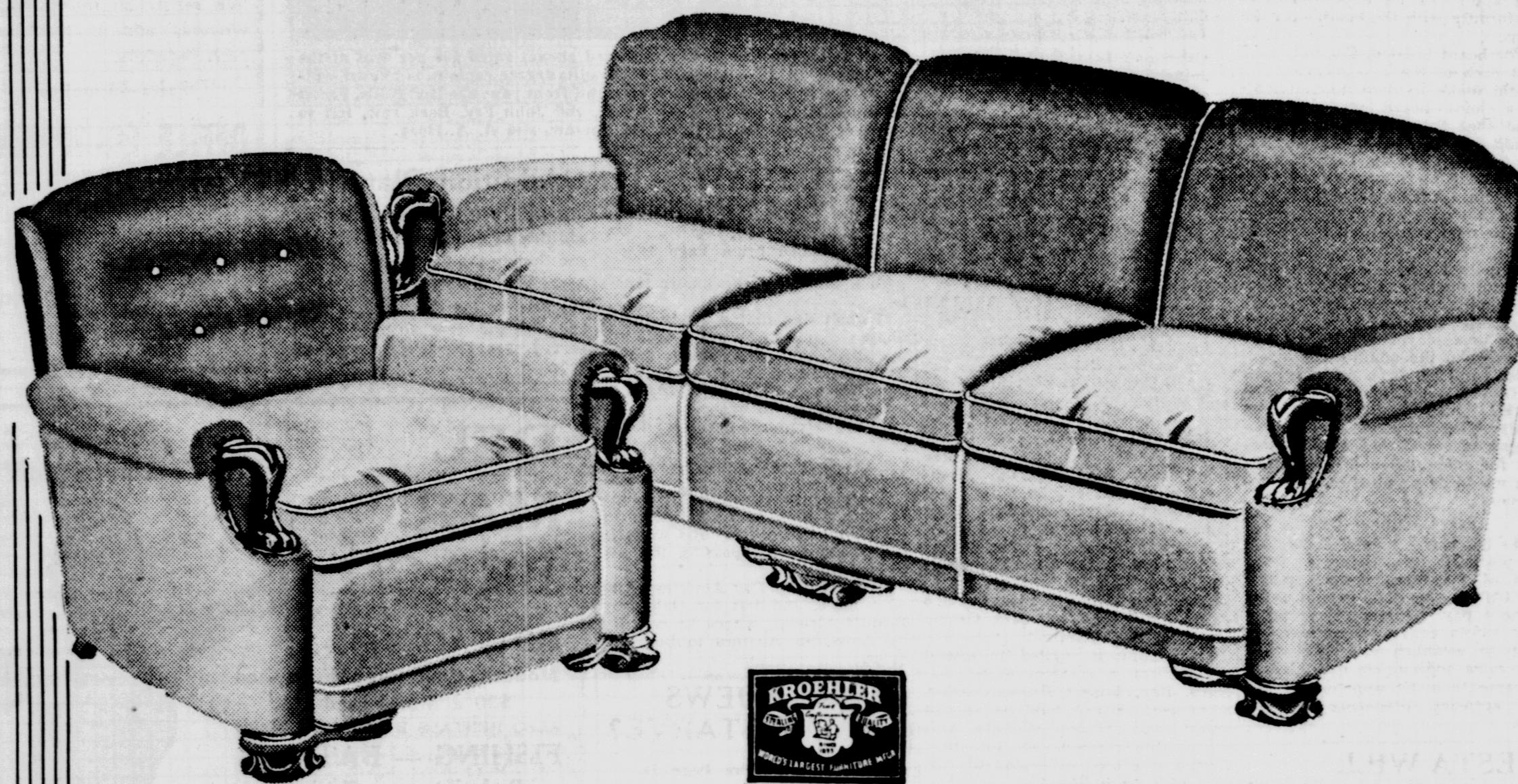
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Satisfaction at business on opening day, and optimism for the future, was expressed Saturday by Mr. and Mrs. Jean S. Cavett, above, near the close of the first day's business at the new location for Walgreen Central Drug Store, Jackson Avenue and First street, Harlingen. The scene on top was photographed during the Saturday rush at the new corner drug store. (Staff Photo)

'It's A Lie!'

Russians Deny German Officers Seeking To Train Red Army; Losses Minimized

MOSCOW—(P)—The Soviet Russian army command declared Saturday night that "animal fear before the prospect of a military bloc between Germany and the U.S.S.R." had inspired what it described as foreign reports that German military instructors were reorganizing the Red army. It said the report was a "stupid, extraordinary lie."

The long statement asserted also that only 900 Russian soldiers had lost their lives in the Finnish campaign and these casualties were "due to the sudden cold which set in, rather than to the action of Finnish troops."

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Rev. E. M. Todd Dies After Long Work



REV. E. M. TODD

HARLINGEN—Rev. Earle Marion Todd, 76, retired clergymen, former college president, and resident of the Valley for many years, died here Saturday at 4:25 a.m. after an illness of only a few days. He had lived near Harlingen since retiring from the ministry in 1920.

Rev. Todd was born October 17, 1863 at Vernon, Indiana. He attended Butler College at Indianapolis until the middle of his senior year, then took his A.B. degree at Garfield University in Wichita, Kan. He received his D.D. degree at Christian University in Canton, Mo., where for three years he was president. The university later became Culver-Stockton College, which name it now has.

He has served as pastor for numerous Christian churches, including those at McPherson, Kan.; University Church of Christ at Des Moines, Iowa; Chester, England; West London Tabernacle, London, England; North Tonawanda, New York; Manchester, New Hampshire; West Jefferson St. Church, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Canton, Mo. He was social service director and pastor at the community church at Leeland near Stuart Place in 1917-20, and in the early 1920's served for a time as pastor for the Christian church in San Benito.

During his tenure of office as president of what is now Culver-Stockton College, he completely reorganized the school in order to secure recognition from the state university. This required installation of thousands of books for the library and much expensive apparatus for the science department and appointment on the faculty of men of high scholastic attainment. During this period he travelled with "Men and Millions Movement of Disciples of Christ" and worked with Mr. Abe Corey and Mr. Raphael Miller to secure funds to aid the school. His name and activities are listed in Who's Who In America.

Overwork, produced by these activities, caused a breakdown, and his coming to the Valley and subsequent retirement. When he was unable to take active part in the cultivation of his citrus orchard, he began to devote himself to writing. Several of his articles have been published in Christian Evangelist and The Scroll and other magazines. His last article is to be published shortly.

His only survivor is his sister, Miss M. Flora Todd of Harlingen. It has been requested there be no flowers for the services to be held at 3 p.m. Sunday at First Christian Church in San Benito. Rev. D. G. Wagner, assisted by Rev. T. S. Stauffer, will conduct the services.

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War Analysis Shows Past 5 Months Have Produced Only 'Unexpected Events'

STRONG LINES HAVE COME UP TO ALL HOPES

Other Developments Were Surprise

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
Associated Press Staff Writer

Nearly five months of war in Europe has produced only the unexpected—with one notable exception.

The French Maginot and the German Siegfried Lines have influenced the war exactly as neutral military opinion expected they would. They have stopped both German and Franco-British Allies from engaging in the bloody business of frontal attack.

Just A Mockery

On every other front of that war, and in the Russo-Finnish conflict, actual events have made a mockery of predictions.

Poland collapsed in days under a terrific German thrust. That not only wrecked hopes of the Franco-British allies that Poland could hold out until aid could reach her, directly or indirectly, but shattered Franco-British post-war security dreams.

The whole conception of peace in Europe founded on "buffer state" encirclement of Germany went down with Poland. The keystone of the treaty of Versailles peace arch erected by the World War allies failed. Whatever the outcome of the war, it will be a new Europe and a new peace technique that the world sees in operation there if European civilization survives the blow of war.

Germany's ruthless smash in Poland was as unexpected in highest French, British and, most of all, Polish officialdom as was Russia's latter attack on Finland.

The Finns, however, had learned a lesson. They made ready for any eventuality, even as they sought to talk themselves out of danger. And they added another to the list of wonders of the world when they turned on their Russian foe and smashed Red army divisions.

Stunning Sea Chapter

Defeat of the vaunted Nazi "pocket battleship" Graf Spee by a trio of British cruisers, outmatched in everything but speed, wrote another stunning chapter of the improbable come true. To cap it, and against every tradition of sea warfare, the Spee's captain took first the life of his ship by Hitler order, then his own.

A dozen other war incidents could be cited on the positive side to prove the rule that only the unexpected is probable. Even more supporting, however, is the record on the negative side, of things of horror that have not taken place—yet.

At the onset of the war, and with the air filled with far echoes of Nazi air bombs in Poland all the cities in the belligerent countries cowered under the nightly "blackouts" in anticipation of a rain of death from the skies. Millions of non-combatant civilians carried on in hourly expectation of air terrorism.

It has not come. The expected and world-dreaded supreme horror of modern war has not been realized.

No "World War"

Nor has the world-wide dread that war in Europe must mean a new world war become reality. Events may be shaping along the shores of the Baltic or in the Balkans to engulf more nations in the war whirlpool, yet so far all belligerents are strictly avoiding steps that might widen the battle theater.

Against that background, renewed predictions in England of an impending ruthless German air onslaught, forecast by widening Nazi air scouting forays, lose some of their fire. Similarly, the foreboding of French military observers that Hitler rendered desperate by the choking effect of the Allied sea siege, will order his legions to the charge in spring against the Maginot line, may be discounted.

Against that background, also, might be displayed the one outstanding discernable improbability of the near future which spiritual and neutral temporal leaders are prayerfully weighing—peace. If the unexpected is the rule in this war, early peace would be its greatest boon to humanity.

2 Streamliners

Southern Pacific To Add To Service

HOUSTON—The Southern Pacific Railroad has placed two new, 14-car Streamliners Daylight in service between Los Angeles, and San Francisco, replacing the famed Streamliners Daylight, T. J. Monroe, passenger traffic manager announced.

The streamliners sail on daily daylight schedules in each direction, with public address system reaching every car in each train so that railroad representatives can describe points of interest.

Latest developments in air-conditioning have been applied, fluorescent lighting is used throughout, and dining car service has new triple articulated unit, one being coffee shop seating 80 people, the third unit being dining car seating 72 people, and second or middle unit being the kitchen serving both coffee shop and diner. It is the largest dining car in America. Electric water coolers are installed equipped with compartments in which mothers may place bottled milk and other food preparations for their little ones.

The transcontinental Argonaut, New Orleans to Los Angeles, via Houston, San Antonio and El Paso, makes direct connection with the Streamliners Daylight for San Francisco.

ARMED BANDITS RAID BRUSH COURT INJUSTICE SAM PERL IS HOG-TIED



Bertram Combe is shown above reaching over to seize a six shooter from the hand of James L. Abney, preventing the Klondike chief from administering a "lazo de gracia" to Chief Injustice Sam Perl, who is tied to a post. Mr. Combe's heroic act was the climax to a raid of Klondike "banditos" Friday afternoon on the Court of the Grand Brush when their leader faced trial for not trimming his Charro Days beard.

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By A. D. HAWKINS
BROWNSVILLE — A reward of one peso was offered Saturday by Chief Injustice Sam Perl of the Court of the Grand Brush for information leading to the arrest and conviction of bearded Klondike "banditos", who raided his courtroom Friday afternoon here.

The Brush Court was thrown in turmoil and its officials temporarily held in custody by the bandits in the midst of the trial of James L. Abney, Klondike leader, charged with failure to trim his Charro Days beard.

Dressed in Latin American peon costume, and armed with rifles and pistols of the Civil war era, the "bandits" quickly took possession of the Brush court.

The shooting of fireworks, and roar of miniature torpedoes, nearly panicked the crowd of 200 spectators.

Chief Injustice Perl was taken to the vicinity of the El Jardin hotel where he was bound to a post, while associate justices were ushered nearby. Some of the court officials fled.

The chief injustice, safe in the hands of his rescuers, next decreed the trial of Klondike Abney a mistrial. He said that date of a new trial would be set Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. when the court again convenes at the new city hall. Abney said he would plead "former jeopardy."

Injustice Perl also intimated that he might restore Chief Bailiff H. D. Lozano and Court Deputy Will Cabilio to good standing. They fled when the raid occurred.

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FACTORIES IN U. S. ENGAGE IN 'GRIM WAR'

Substitutes Forge To Front—Babson

By ROGER BABSON

BABSON PARK, Fla.—A war just as grim and far-reaching in its implications as those raging in Europe and Asia is being fought out in every factory in North America. It's the War of the Substitutes—Nylon against silk and rayon, Phenol against rubber and cotton, Plasticene against wood and sheet metal. So far the chemists have won one decisive victory after another. Their new brain children, conceived in retorts and crucibles, are now used in 50,000 ways never dreamed of five or ten years ago.

Plastics, these new materials are called. They are a combination of chemicals, sold in various compounds by the chemists. Manufacturers put these compounds into molds, dies, and the like and under heat and pressure they are formed into various designs. From the molds, for instance, comes the plastic in its final form ready for use,—telephone sets, steering wheels, radio cabinets, safety glass, buttons and thousands of other products. Or the compound may be cast into rods, sheets, or tubes. Then these are sawed, machined, turned, cut into whatever final shape is desired.

Test Tube Pedigree

This is a rough and simple description of the plastic process. Actually, it is tremendously complicated. In the original experiments plastics are built up synthetically, molecule by molecule, to possess the same qualities as natural products—stone, wood, metals. More than that, their chemical structures improve upon the natural substance in lightness, strength, and beauty of color. They have a scientific pedigree. These synthetic substitutes—"Ersatz" they call them in Germany—can be roughly divided into four general types:

1. Vegetable Plastics: Cellulose, made from powdered spruce or cotton linters is their base. They are tough and resilient, take a bright polish in colors. You see them most often on the "dash" of your car and as the housing for your radio. By a different treatment, cellulose comes out as thread for rayon underwear and curtain fabrics, stealing the spotlight from silk. Now, from another base, comes Nylon to assault the last great citadel of silk—milday's stockings.

2. Mineral Plastics: Carbolic acid is their base. The testube magicians mix it with formaldehyde and call this group the phenolics. They are strong and durable, good insulators, excellent molders. You use them every time you pick up the phone, plug in your bridge lamp, "vac" the living room rug.

3. Gas and Air Plastics: Urea is their base. They are a combination of four common gases. Some are translucent. Most have bright and gay or soft and delicate colors. Newest of the ureas—Lucite and Plexiglas are wholly transparent—clearer than glass. Unbreakable eyeglasses, super-safety glass, covers for bumper cockpit are the uses of these new concoctions.

4. Animal Plastics: Casein extracted from sour cow's milk is the base. These are old plastics but they are finding new uses every day. Every time you button your vest or take off your overcoat, you're using this old stand-by. Lanital is the newest casein plastic. It's an artificial wool which much resembles the real thing.

Rubbing Aladdin's Lamp

There are literally thousands of these plastics being used now. They are popular because they combine advantages of their own in addition to those of the natural material. It's like rubbing Aladdin's Lamp. If your material isn't resistant to electricity, add a pinch of this and a dash of that, and the resulting plastic is positively shock-proof. If you want your new material to repel moisture, take a slightly different "rule" out of the recipe book and your new substance is waterproof. No wonder this is the Chemical Age!

Here are just a handful of reasons why the plastics are crowding out the natural materials in this "War of the Substitutes."

1. Easy to Mold

2. Light and Strong

3. Warm and Smooth

4. Good Insulators

5. Easy to Clean

6. Durable and Non-Corrosive

7. Low Manufacturing Cost

"Ersatz" are children of adversity. Plastics rooted themselves in the shade and darkness of the worst depression years. They have grown by leaps and bounds since then. But they have only scratched the surface of their possibilities. Technical progress is rushing ahead. When the plastics finally come to grips with the Magnat Line of the natural materials—automobile bodies—the war will enter its final stage. Moreover, it is not being too optimistic to think of all-plastic automobiles and all-plastic airplanes.

Possibilities of Plastic Planes

America's plane capacity could be expanded tremendously if "duraloid" (a plastic made of hardwood veneers pressed with phenolic resin) proves successful. One of the big time-takers in plane building is the driving of as many as 300,000 rivets in some planes. In contrast, the shell of the "plastic plane" comes in only three parts—wings and body. Success of this process means stronger, lighter, faster, and far more economical methods of building and operating. From plastic airplanes to plastic terraplanes (automobiles) would be the next step.

This war of the Substitutes means more than a battle between materials. It means vast social changes. For instance, towns built around a factory whose metal product is captured by "Ersatz" must find a new article to make or lay off its workers. Metal mines, ore railroads, cabinet shops, silk mills, may all be caught in the backwash of

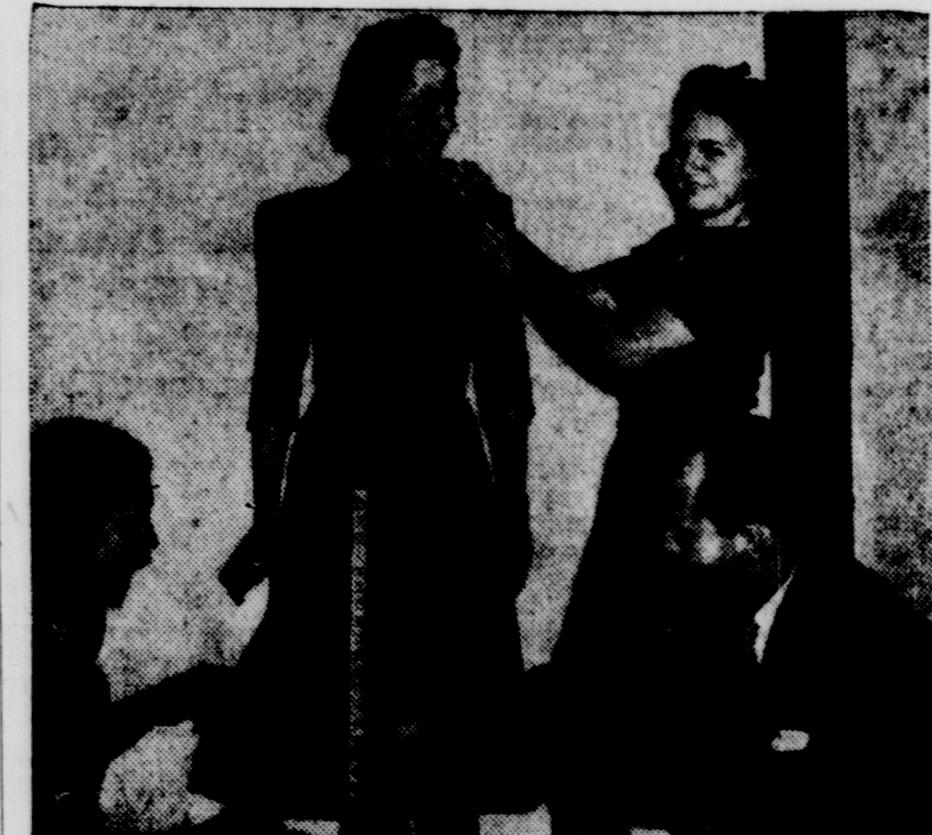
And The Villain Still Pursued Her!

Drunkard's Daughter To Be Offered At Fair By Little Theater



The comedy is such as to attract the same audience night after night and more fun is created.

SURE, THEY QUALIFIED



David W. Simpson's idea of how to measure beauty (with a yardstick) may be very rudimentary, but there aren't any flies on his selection of "chaparitas" to ride the Charro Days floats. There's no need to tell you that the girls above qualified. Left to right are: Misses Mary Patrick, Mary Helen George; Marguerite Yglesias and Mr. Simpson, who is in charge of selecting the Charro Days float riders.

California, Pennsylvania Provide Valley Visitors

McALLEN—From as far west as Minnesota, Michigan, Texas, and Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Codding came from Los Angeles, Calif., to winter here while Mr. and Mrs. L. U. Groat and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gardner motored from Pittsburgh, Pa., with McAllen as their objectives.

Other new winter guests are Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Howitt, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Falter, Jackson, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rolfe, Alma, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Jordan, Sherman, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Otis White, Franklin, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Russell, Greenburg, Kan.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Shumpert, Dennison, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Damme, Anita, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Wagner, Rutheven, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Knuth, Toledo, O.; Mr. and Mrs. Will Wagner, Rutheven, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Miller, Fremont, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Baldwin, Onondaga, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Furry, Toledo, O.; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shamp, Onondago, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Schmidt, Dick, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Anderson, Wayne, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Holman, Antler, N. D.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Norby, Thief River Falls, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Davidson, Omaha, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Brouti, Melroy, Minn.

Among the new permanent families in the city are: Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Geddie, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. J. Haberman, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Sayer, Ruidoso, N. Mex.; Mr. and Mrs. Hal A. Kendall, Alma, Mich. and Mr. and Mrs. Carl England, Alma, Mich.

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New Pens Needed For Swine Entries At Valley's Fair

HARLINGEN—Art teachers of all Valley schools are being invited to have their pupils enter their school art work in the proper department at the Valley Mid-Winter Fair, Mrs. Hugh Ramsey, chairman, announced Saturday.

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Branch Is Opened

Hollingsworth Upped By Wm. Cameron

HARLINGEN—Recent purchase of the Angelina Building Material Company at Lufkin has been announced by William Cameron and Company, Inc., wholesale dealers in building materials. A. E. (Arch) Hollingsworth, formerly of Harlingen, is manager of the Lufkin branch.

The Lufkin branch will handle leading nationally advertised brands of building materials for which the company is wholesaler in the Southwest. In addition the complete line of products manufactured by the Ideal Company of Waco will be handled.

Elton Ewing, manager of the Harlingen branch of William Cameron and Company, said Saturday the naming of Hollingsworth as Lufkin manager came as a promotion. Hollingsworth lived here a year and a half, and traveled the Valley territory at that time for William Cameron and Company.

Eight Are Assessed Penalties By Judge

HARLINGEN—Rudy Carre was fined \$19.20 on vagrancy charge before Judge Merton Murray in precinct court here Saturday.

In corporation court, Sefarino Cardenas and Eduardo Ramirez were fined \$5 each on fighting charges, and Mrs. Mary Everhart, C. V. Allen, George Decker, Ed Sandell and H. H. Galloway were fined \$1 each on overtime parking charges.

RETURN FROM ALABAMA

McALLEN—Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Jeffrey of McAllen returned Saturday from a month's vacation in Alabama.

this epoch-making war. Big beneficiaries, will be the farmers. The Plastic Army carries a bright beacon of hope for them—settlement of their two-decade old problem of price-busting surpluses. Remember, the basis of two of the four plastic groups is farm products.

FAIR BOOTHS TO BE FILLED

Main Exhibit Hall Is Nearly Ready

HARLINGEN—Decorators, painters and carpenters are working like beavers inside the Main Exhibit Building at the Mid-Winter Fair Grounds, preparing booths for displays, and every available booth is expected to be filled by opening day of the fair, Tuesday, January 23, President E. M. Crockett, said Saturday.

Included in the cast are such well-known members of the Valley Little Theatre as Tom Haney, Tom Sammons, Jr., Paul Moore, the director, Randolph Fleuriel, Marvin Downs, Arlene Kamiah, Gretchen Sammons and Margaret Brown.

Peanuts, pop-corn and soda-pop will be sold loudly to the audience during the entire presentation of the program each night.

Popular prices have been set at 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children under 12, with the show to start at 8:15 p.m.

LOS FRESNOS HONOR ROLL

126 Scholars Are Announced

LOS FRESNOS—A check-up at the end of the first semester shows that 126 students have perfect attendance records, having been neither absent nor tardy during that period.

Honor roll for the third six weeks is released as follows:

First grade: Janelle Whitlock, Margaret Lipe, Bobby Kraner, and Lucia Hernandez.

Second grade: Betty Joyce Moses, R. C. Caleyan, Ruby Cullison, and Guadalupe Garcia.

Third grade: Jimmy McLeish, Marjorie Hinkley, and Shirley Ann Oliver.

Fourth grade: Marilou Barr, Delta Gonzales and Charles Laakso.

Fifth grade: Antonio Garcia, Margaret Pace and Cleofas Salazar.

Sixth grade: Jimmy Hinkley, Francis Laakso, and Nathalie Lowlow.

Seventh grade: Mary Lois Coats and John Schafer.

Eighth grade: Leon Hinkley.

Ninth grade: Hazel Lipe.

Tenth grade: Harold Graybill, Lloyd Sanders and Chalmers Williams.

Eleventh grade: Dorothy Henry, Bobby McLeish, Barbara Jean Goates and Veta Mae Ferguson.

Mexican School: Lupe Delgado, Quintin Rodriguez, Natividad Salinas and Eloisa Sanchez.

ON TRIP TO CUERO

McALEN—Mr. and Mrs. Angus McLeod left Friday night for Cuero to visit his parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. A. McLeod, for the week-end. McLeod will enter the officers reserve training camp at Fort Houston Monday for the next two weeks. During that time Mrs. McLeod will remain in Cuero.

Edinburg Bank Doing Quite A Bit Of All Right, Annual Meet Shows

EDINBURG—The First National Bank in Edinburg is doing quite a bit of all right, judging from the actions of the stockholders at their annual meeting.

They:
1 Raised capitalization from \$82,000 to \$125,000.

2—Voted \$10 per share dividend to common stockholders.

3—increased salaries of employees five per cent.

4—Re-elected directors and officers.

The directorate includes W. P. Smith, Bryce Ferguson, H. I. Schlauder, G. A. Reule and Tom Handley with officers as follows: W. P. Smith, president; H. I. Schlauder, vice president and cashier; Bryce Ferguson, vice president; Edmundo Cavazos, assistant cashier, and Tom Handley, assistant cashier.

The bank balanced resources and liabilities at \$1,485,845.93 in its report as of December 30, with deposits of \$1,355,369.36. These deposits are up approximately \$300,000 over the same period for the previous year and are the second largest in Hidalgo county, and the fourth largest in the Valley.

COMMISSION TO MEET

McALLEN—The McAllen city commission will meet Wednesday night at the city hall in a routine session. City Secretary C. D. Martin announced Saturday.

Mrs. McGonigle's design for the 1940 Charro fiesta, February 14, inclusive, Saturday was sent to a Chicago firm to be stamped in rubber.

Portrayed is a guitar playing Charro serenading a China Poblana. Across the top of the cachet are the words, "Charro Days, Postmaster W. T. Burnett, head of the Charro cachet committee, announced Saturday.

Cachet may be obtained Charro Week in three colors, red, green or black. More than 13,000 letters were cached during Charro Days a year ago.

"Think, think and wonder" was the only inspiration of Mrs. McGonigle, who is a member of the Brownsville Art League, in designing the cachet. The art was merely the matter of pencil and paper, she signed the papers a week ago.

We don't care who you owe or what you want the money for as long as you can repay a small amount each week or month—no worthy person refused a loan.

SPECIAL INTRODUCTORY OFFER

Bring this ad with you. It is good for \$1.00 cash on your first loan of \$10.00 or more.

Port Isabel Scouts Guests Of Rotary

PORT ISABEL — The boys of Troop 57 of Port Isabel, both land and sea scout divisions, were guests of the Rotarians, their sponsors, at a wiener roast and court of honor held on the grounds of the city hall. All refreshments were furnished by the Rotary Club. Mayor Ted Hunt presided. Committee members present were: Mr. Ted Hunt and J. J. Jaundon. Rotarians were: Mr. Keith Stone, Mr. Brock Stone, and Mr. Joel Keene. Officers present were: Skipper Leo M. Baumfelder, second assistant scout master; Gregorio Tamayo, and first mate, Billy Pete Ferry.

QUICK RELIEF FROM Symptoms of Distress Arising from STOMACH ULCERS DUE TO EXCESS ACID

Free Booklets of Home Treatment that Must Help or It Will Cost You Nothing

Over one million bottles of the WILLARD TREATMENT have been sold for relief of symptoms of distress arising from Stomach and Duodenal Ulcers due to Excess Acid—Poor Digestion, Sour or Upset Stomach, Gastric Headaches, Stomach Cramps, etc., due to Excess Acid. Sold on 30 days trial. Ask for "Willard's Message," which fully explains this treatment—free—\$5.

Walgreen Agency
108 W. Jackson Harlingen

HONOR LOANS BORDER FINANCE COMPANY ANNOUNCING OPENING OF A NEW COMPANY

612 Rio Grande Building—Harlingen Suite C&D Nelson Building—209½ S. Main—McAllen PERSONAL LOANS \$5 to \$50 on plain signature to men and women.

Also secured loans \$50 to \$100.

We don't care who you owe or what you want the money for as long as you can repay a small amount each week or month—no worthy person refused a loan.

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RFC FINANCES ASSIST SEVEN WATER UNITS

Over Seven Millions Loaned In Valley

McALLEN—Seven Valley irrigation districts have received approximately \$7,928,240.34 in loans and grants from the Public Works Administration for improving and expanding their systems, according to figures compiled here Saturday.

The loans totaled \$6,210,000, of which \$6,000,000 is still outstanding. Outright grants reached \$1,718,240.34.

Biggest loan and grant went to the Willacy County Irrigation District, which received a loan of \$3,963,000 and a grant of \$800,000 March 14, 1934. Still outstanding as of Jan. 1, 1940 was \$3,610,000. The district defaulted a \$25,000 March, 1939, principal payment.

The Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No. 7 at Mission received a loan of \$423,000 and a grant of \$33,000 Jan. 1, 1934. Still owing is \$373,000, with no defaults.

The PWA loaned \$400,000 to Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 at Edinburg, with eight grants totalling \$101,550.34. Outstanding is \$373,000, with no defaults.

Hidalgo County Water Improvement District No. 2 at San Juan received a loan of \$1,769,000 and a grant of \$432,430. Outstanding is \$1,009,000, with no defaults.

A loan of \$100,000 went to Hidalgo County Water Improvement District No. 6 at Engelman Gardens north of Elsa, and a grant of \$30,000. Still outstanding is \$94,000, with no defaults.

Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No. 6 at Mission received a loan of \$305,000 and a grant of \$94,000. Still owing is \$262,000, with no defaults.

The PWA loaned \$379,000 to the Donna Irrigation District and granted \$137,260. The amount outstanding is \$339,000, with no defaults.

Gains Shown

Seaboard Life Shows 1939 Increase

HARLINGEN—Emmett O. Anglin, Valley district manager for the Seaboard Life Insurance Company, in reviewing activity of his company during 1939, said here Saturday that as usual, the firm made substantial gains in insurance in force and in assets.

Anglin said he felt the Seaboard Company has an outstanding record in investments, since the company has never had a bond in default nor a real estate loan in arrears. The Rio Grande Valley agency for the company made a very nice record during 1939, Anglin added, and plans are being made to an even better year in 1940.

Anglin is one of Harlingen's pioneer citizens, having lived here for 30 years. He was engaged in banking business for some 10 years before entering the insurance business. He is a member of the Commodore Club and the President's Cabinet, honor organization of the Seaboard Company, according to Burke Baker, company president. Membership in these clubs is gained only through exceptional production.

Rural Housing For Brownsville Urged

BROWNSVILLE—Application for a rural housing project in the Brownsville environs was made Friday by Mrs. Volney W. Taylor, chairman of the Brownsville Housing Authority.

Mrs. Taylor said a survey would be launched immediately to determine the amount of money necessary for the work, which would be located within a five-mile radius of Brownsville. The application was forwarded to Marshall W. Amis, Fort Worth regional director of the United States Housing Authority.

Harlingen Building Permits Increasing

HARLINGEN—New construction in Harlingen leaped to \$7,250 for January Friday, with issuance of permits totaling \$2,045. Building Inspector R. P. Bledsoe said.

Permit was issued to J. R. Collins for construction of a frame residence, 30 by 32, estimated to cost \$2,000; and to W. C. Barnes for building of one room to cost \$45. Nine permits had been issued to Friday, Bledsoe said.

Fort Brown Troops May Return Soon

BROWNSVILLE—Unofficial reports Friday indicated Valley troops stationed at Fort Bliss for winter maneuvers would be returned to Fort Brown here and to Fort Ringgold, Rio Grande City, about February 1.

Major John R. Thornton, in command of the Fort Brown skeleton force, said "no such information" had been received at the garrison.

Willacy Nazarenes Plan Zone Rally

RAYMONDVILLE—A Zone Rally of the Nazarene Church was held in Raymondvile on Saturday. Representatives from churches throughout the Valley attended the all-day meeting.

Sunday night services will close the evangelistic services that have been held for the past two weeks under the leadership of Rev. E. D. Messer of the Nazarene Church in McAllen.

TAX COLLECTOR DIES

LUBBOCK—(AP)—Sam W. McKee, 69, of Ralls, former tax collector of Fannin county, died Thursday night of a heart ailment.

Premiums For Fair

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is a partial list of premiums to be offered at the Valley Mid-Winter Fair. Other premiums for various departments will be printed daily in The Valley Morning Star.

FLORAL EXHIBIT

General Rules

1. Each exhibitor is placed upon his or her honor in the matter of being eligible for the class or classes in which they are entered.
2. Exhibits must be ready for the judges at 2:00 p.m., January 23.
3. Only committee staging the exhibition will be allowed in hall or building during staging of the show prior to judging. Exhibitors will deliver their entries to the receiving committee at the door.
4. When the number of plants or flowers in any class is fixed, the exhibition of any greater or less number disqualifies.
5. Friday morning will be set aside for the renewal or refreshment of any entries.
6. After the entries are arranged they will be under the exclusive charge of the Flower Show Management and not even the owner shall have the right to remove them until after the exhibition is closed at which time each exhibitor will be checked out.
7. All exhibitors must be at the tent Monday, January 29, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to receive ribbons, containers and other properties.

Garden Club Division

Mrs. O. E. Stuart, Chairman

1. Garden Club members will not be permitted to enter exhibits in the open Amateur Class, but are not eligible for sweep stake prizes in open Amateur Class.
2. Flowers entered by Garden Club members must be grown by themselves, except in all Class B entries; however, flowers must be Valley grown.
3. Not more than one entry in a class shall be made by any member.
4. Each club will be responsible for its own receiving and staging committees which must not exceed four. This committee will receive and place the exhibits of its club.
5. Under the classification of Entries all clubs will compete against each other.

Cash prizes of \$20.00, \$15.00, \$10.00, and \$5.00 will be given to the four clubs accumulating the most points.

I. Totals number of points won by club members on entries:

1st Prize 5 points—Blue Ribbon

2nd Prize 3 points—Red Ribbon

3rd Prize 2 points—Yellow Ribbon

II. Arrangement of display area. Any additional decorative plants or material may be used:

1st Prize 50 points

2nd Prize 35 points

3rd Prize 25 points

4th Prize 15 points

III. 10 points—Correct and Suitable labeling. All entries will be judged for cultural perfection or artistry and scored as follows:

(A) Cultural Perfection 35

Foliage 15

Size 15

Stem 15

Substance 10

Color 10

(B) Artistry—

The addition of 1 to 3 different kinds of flowers is permissible in this class, but Primary line of flowers should follow the entry specifications.

Proportion and Balance 25

Design and Originality 25

Color Combination 20

Relation to Container 20

Condition 10

Classification of Entries

Roses

1. (A) 3 Roses—any color.
2. (B) Arrangement of not more than 12 Roses.
3. (B) Best Display of Polyantha Roses.
4. (A) 3 Spike—Any color.
5. (B) Artistic Arrangement of 12 to 18 Spikes.
6. (A) 1 Bloom—Single.
7. (A) 1 Bloom—Double.
8. (B) Artistic Arrangement—5 to 12 Blooms.
9. (B) Artistic arrangement—purple.
10. (B) Artistic arrangement—red.
11. (B) Artistic arrangement—rust.
12. (B) Flowering shrub or tree.
13. (B) Flowering vines.

Annual Flowers

All flowers entered in this class must be grown and arranged by Garden Club members, although they will be judged for arrangement.

14. (A) Calendula

15. (A) Daisies

16. (B) Marigold—African

17. (B) Marigold—French

18. (B) Nasturtium

19. (B) Snapdragons

20. (B) Sweet Peas

21. (B) Zinnias

22. (B) Pansies

23. Miniature Arrangement.

Junior Garden Clubs

Mrs. George Krumb, Chairman

Cash prizes of \$5.00, \$3.00 and \$2.00 to be given to the three individuals receiving most points.

Judged:

1. Any Valley grown flowers in arrangement—must be arranged by exhibitor.
2. Miniature arrangement.

Commercial Florists

George Fletcher, Jr., Chairman

Cash prizes of \$25.00, \$15.00 and \$10.00 will be given to three receiving most points.

To be judged for the following:

30—Staging and arranging of arena.

30—Artistic arrangement and effect.

25—Quality of blooms.

10—Suitability and quality of plant material and other accessories.

5—Correct and suitable labeling.

May display any flowers, plants or material used by his establishment.

Open Amateur Class

Mrs. Frank Grimsell and Mrs. S. M. Harvey, Co-chairmen

Open to all amateurs who grow flowers for pleasure.

To be grown and arranged by exhibitor.

Exhibitors may use vases, bowls or baskets.

A committee will receive and place exhibits.

1. Cash prizes of \$10.00, \$6.00 and \$4.00 to the three individuals accumulating the greatest number of first prize points.

1st Prize 5 points

2nd Prize 3 points

3rd Prize 2 points

2. Prizes will be given as follows to every class:

1st Prize 50 cents—Blue Ribbon

2nd Prize Ribbon

3rd Prize Ribbon

Classification

Roses

1. (A) 3 Roses—any color.
2. (B) Artistic arrangement 6 to 12 Roses.

Gladioli

3. (A) 3 Spikes—any color.

4. (B) Artistic arrangement 6 to 18 Spikes.

Bougainvilles

5. (A) 3 Blooms—Single.

6. (A) 3 Blooms—Double.

7. (B) Artistic arrangement 5 to 12 Blooms.

Bougainvilles

8. (B) Artistic arrangement—any color.

9. (B) Artistic arrangement—native flowers or shrubs.

10. (B) Artistic arrangement—Berries.

Annual Flowers

11. (B) Calendula.

12. (B) Daisies

13. (B) Marigold—African.

14. (B) Marigold—French.

15. (B) Nasturtiums.

16. (B) Sweet Peas.

17. (B) Snapdragon

18. (B) Zinnia.

19. (B) Pansies.

20. (A) 1 Foliage Plant.

21. (A) 1 Blooming Plant.

MANY ATTEND TOURIST FETE

Crowd Of 290 Sets Record For Year

McALLEN—Two hundred-ninety winter visitors, the largest crowd this year, attended the regular tourist party Thursday evening at Legion Hall.

Mrs. D. D. Rider had charge of the program for the evening and most of the numbers were given by people visiting in the A. B. C. trailer park this winter.

The program included: Vocal duet, Lola and Mary Polomo; musical solo, Arturo Sarabia; tap dance, Carol Speilman; vocal duet, Mary Pol

Ten School Bands To Lead Parade Of States At Valley Mid-Winter Fair

CAMPIONSHIP • GROUP FROM WESLACO DUE

**Big Crowd Expected
At Unique Event**

HARLINGEN — Parade of the States to open the Valley Mid-winter Fair here on Tuesday morning, January 23, will not lack for music with 10 Valley high school bands already promised and at least three more expected to enter the parade, according to Judge Merton Murray, Lions club chairman for the parade.

In addition to the Harlingen A and B bands, under Director Phil Murray, school bands have accepted the invitation of the committee and are coming from Raymondville, Lyford, San Benito, Los Fresnos, La Feria, Mission, Mercedes and Weslaco.

Free Concert
In addition to participating in the Parade of the States on the opening day of the fair, the Weslaco State high school championship band will give a free concert in municipal auditorium at Fair Park at 3 p. m. on Sunday, January 28, closing day of the fair, Murray announced.

The parade itself is expected to attract record crowd for the Rio Grande Valley, since it is to be entered with 15 floats now under construction, representing the 48 states, the District of Columbia and Canada. A duchess is to be elected from each of the states by the tourists. The duchess must be a bona-fide tourist in the Valley and there is no age limit.

Queen Orange will be chosen from the duchesses, the honor to be given to the duchess receiving the highest number of votes. She will be privileged to choose her own King Grapefruit, so long as she does not select her husband, fair officials have decided.

Lions In Charge

Members of the local Lions Club have charge of arrangements for the parade and now state they believe fully 500 or more automobiles will be entered in the parade, since every tourist in the Valley has been invited to enter his car, to follow immediately after the float representing his state.

All floats are being built by the Mid-Winter Fair Association and there will be no charge made for tourists to enter the parade.

Parish Called

Vestrymen Election Is Due Sunday

BROWNSVILLE — The annual parish meeting of the Church of the Advent here will be held Sunday at 4 p.m. at the parish house, the Rev. Penrose W. Hirst, rector, announced Saturday.

Four vestrymen are to be elected for a term of three years, and five delegates will be chosen to the Diocesan council which meets January 21-23 in Corpus Christi.

Following adjournment, the woman's auxiliary will serve sandwiches and coffee at a social hour.

Vestrymen retiring in 1940 are: A. K. Black, J. T. Canales, E. M. Dierlam and S. S. Nye. All communicants in good standing over 21 years of age are entitled to vote.

All nominations for vestrymen will be made from the floor. Reports and other parish business will be heard.

Rio Grande City Bank Directorate Wins Re-Election

RIO GRANDE CITY — Directors were re-elected here late this week as stockholders of the First State Bank and Trust Company held their annual meeting.

The directorate includes H. P. Guerra, president; F. D. Guerra, vice president; Medardo Hinjosa, chairman; Juan Hinjosa and C. T. Vale. In addition to these, officers include B. A. Spillar, vice president and cashier; and J. A. Garza, assistant cashier.

Capital structure of the bank was set out as follows: Capital, \$50,000; surplus, \$5,000; debentures, \$15,000; undivided profits, \$7,826.69; and deposits, \$378,736.89.

Incarnate Academy Will Give Annual Event January 26

BROWNSVILLE — The annual entertainment of the Incarnate Word Academy, usually given in early spring, will be held Friday, January 26, at the Junior College auditorium, ante dating the 87th anniversary of the school March 7.

The children of the primary and pre-primary classes will take part in an action song "Little Lads and Lassies Gave."

The second, third, fourth and fifth grades will present "The Princess Has a Birthday," a toy orchestra opera.

The sixth and seventh grades will offer "Who Is Nancy?" and a folk dance and song.

Valley Visitor Is Injured In Crash

McALLEN — Mrs. J. T. Walthall of San Antonio and a friend, Mrs. Lemon of the same city, were injured Saturday in an auto crash near Corpus Christi while en route to McAllen to visit Mrs. Walthall's sister, Mrs. David Taylor.

They were confined to a Corpus Christi hospital. No reports on their conditions were available here.

Mrs. Walthall owns a winter home at Pharr.

900 - Year - Old Cypress Tree Saved When Cabinet - Maker Ignored Sale

**Hidalgo Tree May Be
Largest, Oldest
In Valley**

By MINNIE GILBERT

MISSION — Lack of interest on the part of a cabinet maker saved destruction of a 900-year-old cypress tree, the biggest and probably the oldest tree in the Valley. If there should be an increase in demand for cabinet wood, it is more than possible that a landmark that must once have stood in a swampy area will topple 50 feet to earth in a heavy mesquite thicket southwest of Mission.

Age of the tree, estimated by J. E. Pittman, Pharr, landscape engineer for the State Highway Department, is based upon the diameter of the tree trunk which is 90 inches. Scientists have reported that the Southern cypress (*Taxodium distichum*) increases its diameter by an inch every 10 years. The venerable tree has a spread of about 75 feet.

It is growing near the Abram settlement on the old Military highway at a point five miles west and about three miles west of Mission. The owner of the land on which it is located recently went to Mission to seek a buyer for a tree but his price of \$15 was refused by the cabinet-maker.

THE WEATHER

THE VALLEY — Partly cloudy and much colder Sunday; Monday fair and slightly warmer. Strong northwesterly winds, diminishing Sunday night.

OKLAHOMA: Fair, colder east portion Sunday; Monday fair, colder east and central portions.

ARIZONA AND NEW MEXICO: Fair Sunday and Monday with little change in temperature.

WEST TEXAS: Fair Sunday and Monday. Colder south portions and in Panhandle Sunday.

EAST TEXAS: Partly cloudy and much colder Sunday; Monday fair and slightly warmer. Strong northwesterly winds on the coast, diminishing Sunday night.

The Tides

HIGH TIDES Sunday 5:20 a.m. 7:06 p.m.
LOW TIDES Sunday 12:59 a.m. 1:50 p.m.

THE TABLES data for the 24 hours ending at 6:00 a.m. C.S.T. yesterday.

HIGH LOWEST PRECIPITATION last last station

24 hours night inches

Abilene 55 42 00

Albuquerque 32 24 00

Amarillo 50 28 00

Atlanta 44 42 34

Austin 61 41 00

Brownsville 56 34 00

Chicago 50 36 00

Cincinnati 37 33 00

Cleveland 35 31 00

Corpus Christi 66 58 00

Dallas 59 50 00

El Paso 35 25 00

Fargo 31 21 00

Fort Smith 63 53 00

Helena 42 33 00

Houston 25 15 03

Jackson 68 40 00

Huron 25 14 00

Jacksonville 22 58 00

Kansas City 27 18 00

Los Angeles 65 51 00

Memphis 40 25 00

Minneapolis 78 67 00

Mo. St. P. 19 11 00

New Orleans 20 51 42

Norfolk 44 36 00

North Platte 24 14 00

Oklahoma City 10 33 00

Ottumwa 70 50 00

Phoenix 49 46 00

St. Louis 29 18 00

Salt Lake City 36 22 19

San Antonio 68 48 00

Shreveport 22 11 00

Tampa 65 62 00

Vicksburg 59 42 00

Washington 38 32 00

Williston 20 1 00

Wilmington 49 41 00

Winnebago 35 14 04

Fruit

HIGH LOWEST PRECIPITATION

last last station

24 hours night inches

TEXAS

Carlsbad 82 64 00

Carlsbad 72 55 00

Fairfield 75 62 00

Hartling 74 64 00

Laredo 75 57 00

Mission 69 60 00

FLORIDA

Bartow 78 65 00

Eustis 76 63 00

Port Myers 77 67 00

Gainesville 67 60 00

Hastings 71 58 70

Orlando 77 60 00

CALIFORNIA

Grover 52 43 00

Salinas 66 51 00

Lindsay 64 53 00

Santa Barbara 62 55 00

Riverside 64 58 00

Escondido 54 44 00

Imperial 80 56 00

Flood Present 24-Hr. Precipitation Stage Stage Change (inches)

RIO GRANDE RIVER BULLETIN

Lake 27 0.7 +0.1 00

Rio Grande City 21 2.8 0.0 00

Merced 21 4.6 0.0 00

Brownsville 18 2.1 -0.1 00

There will be no material change in the river during the next 24 to 48 hours.

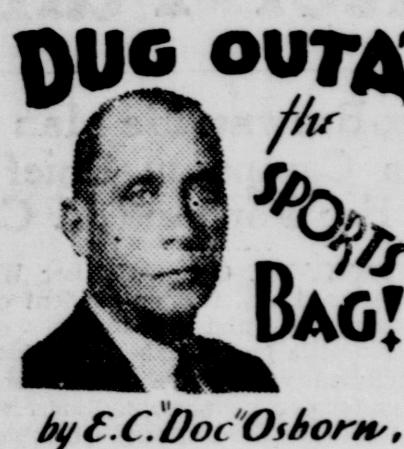
Road To Fair

Work Is Rushed Here

On Paving

HARLINGEN — Base had been completed and topping was well under way on Fair Park road to the east entrance of Fair Park here, Mayor Hugh Ramsey said

WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT OPENS WEDNESDAY



by E.C. "Doc" Osborn.

Large Entry List Assured Annual Event

Mrs. McClendon Will Defend Title

What Do You Think?
We wonder just how many folks in the Rio Grande Valley would be seriously interested in making the Valley one of the state's leading sports centers. Offhand, you will probably say, "Why, everyone is interested in such a move" but would you just be making words and nothing else. Unless you are prepared to give your time and energy to any proposed sensible plan.

For several years we have had a plan in mind that might work and one that would give the Valley a sports program that would not be equalled in the state. In fact we believe it could not fail to accomplish its objective.

No doubt you have either heard the writer discuss this personally or have read about it in this column. In case you haven't, we will, as briefly as possible, give you some of the highlights of our plan with the hope that you think it over seriously.

We would like to see the Rio Grande Valley Sports Association formed.

This organization would have as its membership every real sports fan in the Valley. And we do not have in mind a membership of a few hundred. We think there should be no less than 5,000 members and 10,000 would be much better.

First off, you probably would be interested in what the annual dues to such an association would be. We believe they should be \$1 per year.

Each city in the Valley would be asked to form its own chapter. This would facilitate the organization plans, primarily to obtain members and collect dues. From each city's membership would come one member of the board of directors.

It would be the duty of the board of directors to name the officers of the association and to handle and disburse all funds of the association. Naturally the local boards would follow as closely as possible the dictates of their local membership.

Next we feel you might be interested in the purpose of organizing such an association. That is simple—to promote any sports events in the Rio Grande Valley.

For instance:

Stage an annual golf tournament that would bring the leading pros to this section.

Lend every possible aid to those sports events which are now annual affairs in the Valley. Such as—the Charro Days regatta at Brownsville; the fishing rodeo at Port Isabel; any other event now on the Valley program.

Make a concentrated effort to bring basketball clubs to the valley for spring training, giving assurance of financial aid to any city sponsoring a club in securing guarantees.

Stage a Bowl football game. With all sights trained on the future rather than the first venture of this kind.

Stage an annual tennis tournament.

Be prepared to invite various sports associations to hold their annual meeting in the Rio Grande Valley. For instance—the Texas High School Coaches Association with it the big game played in connection with the coaching school.

Be prepared to sponsor the state high school baseball Tournament. And the state basketball tournament.

Be prepared to sponsor a semi-pro baseball tournament.

No doubt there are many, many other worthy sports events that we have failed to mention.

It should be understood that a membership in the association would not entitle members to attend these events free of charge. Members would be expected to purchase tickets the same as everyone else. The money derived from the membership dues would be used simply as a guarantee fund, to be used in case of any deficit arising from the promotion of any sports event.

There is one thing we would be very interested in finding out. What is YOUR reaction to such an association? Do you think the plan feasible? Do you think it a worthwhile plan?

The only way we can find out is for as many of you sports fans who are interested in bringing real sports events to the Valley to give us your opinions and reactions.

Your letters would be appreciated and will be published in this column. And it is up to YOU. No one person could promote such an organization—it would have to be done with the support of EVERY sports fan in the Valley.

In closing—the first time we mentioned this plan in this column, we received several one dollar bills. They were kept because the senders refused to accept them back, saying they were sure an association of this kind would be formed some day and they wanted to be the first to sign up.

PHOENIX TOURNAMENT
Phoenix, Ariz.—Prizes totaling \$3,000 were posted Saturday for the second annual Phoenix golf tournament which will be played over the country club course February 2, 3 and 4.

The winner will be paid \$700, the amount received by the 1939 winner, Byron Nelson, young Texan, who set a competitive record score of 120 for 36 holes last year.

A rain crow is not a crow nor is a water thrush a thrush, a night hawk a hawk nor a water-turkey a turkey.

Other than the No. 1 men, the ratings of boxers in the various classes were in the following order:

Schoolboy Gridiron Coaches

Will Hold Meet At Austin

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF
ATHENS, Tex.—Austin was selected by the executive committee of the Texas High School Football Coaches Association Saturday as the site of the seventh annual coaching school.

The school—known as the world's largest—will be held from August 4 to 10.

The committee had not obtained the school instructors but hoped to finish up this business over the week-end. Contacts have been made.

Porkers Hand Steers First Loop Defeat

Teams Split Series At Fayetteville

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark.—Arkansas' big Razorbacks bounced back into the Southwest Conference championship race Saturday night by handing the Texas Longhorns their first circuit defeat, 54-44.

Arkansas led almost throughout the battle to divide the two-game series. The Longhorns won Friday night, 52-33.

John Adams, the Porkers' All-Conference forward, scored 21 points before going out on personal foul with two minutes left to play.

Texas lost Center W. D. Houpert on fouls after five minutes in the rough closing period, and Arkansas was deprived of the services of Guard Howard Hickey after 18 minutes in the last half.

The Longhorns tied the score four times in the first half and pulled away with two points of the Porkers at the half.

Arkansas pulled away after the intermission, when the Longhorns went to pieces. The Porkers played smart basketball and gave Texas very few close-up shots.

Forward Chester Granville paced the Steers with 12 points. The same number tallied by the Porkers' John Freiberger.

Arkansas has played only one game in the Texas series. The Steers now have won three and lost one.

The box score:

	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Hull, f	2	1	3	5
Granville, f	4	4	3	12
Cooley, f	1	0	1	2
Finley, f	0	0	1	0
King, f	0	0	0	0
Houpert, c	2	1	4	5
Kutner, c	0	1	1	1
Moers, g	2	7	2	11
Spears, g	3	1	3	7
Moore, g	0	1	3	1
Totals	14	16	21	44
Arkansas	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
J. Adams, f	7	7	4	21
Pitts, f	2	0	2	4
Southerland, f	0	1	0	1
J. Freiberger, f	5	2	3	12
A. Freiberger, f	0	0	0	0
Hickey, g	4	0	4	8
Gammill, g	0	1	3	1
Mitchell, g	0	0	1	0
O. Adams, g	3	1	3	7
Totals	21	12	20	54
Half-time score: Arkansas	29	Tex-	as	27

Free throws missed: Hull 2, Granville 4, Moers, Spears, Kutner, J. Adams, Pitts 3, J. Freiberger, Hickey 3, O. Adams 4.

Referee: Jack Sisco, Baylor; umpire, Carl Sears, Central Missouri.

Ladies Day's Golf Date Is Changed

BROWNSVILLE—The weekly Ladies' Day at the Brownsville Country Club course—on which all women golfers are guests of the course for the day—has been changed from Tuesday to Thursday, effective this week, club officials announced.

Interest in the Ladies' Day affair is increasing week by week, the officials reported. Preceding the start of play at 9 a.m. each Thursday, Zell Eaton, Oklahoma professional champion and Country Club course pro, gives group golfing instruction to the feminine devotees present.

DANNING MARRIES

NOGALES, Sonora, Mex.—The marriage here Thursday of Harry Danning, 28, catcher for the New York Giants of the National League, and Deanne Nygord, 25, New York City, was disclosed by officials Saturday.

The three game series, starting at 7:30 p.m., will be the first maple smashing contest ever played in Brownsville between men's and women's teams. The public is invited to attend, and Lois Simonsen, captain of the Clippers, promises plenty of action.

In scheduled games during the week the Harlingen Outlaws and the strong Harrison Gulf Bowlers whipped the Airport Aviators and the Paul's Auto Hospital Mechanics, respectively. The Gulf pin blasters strengthened their lead in the two-city bowling league.

Shealer and Ball of the Aviators rolled 534 and 537 respectively but the quail failed to click against the invading Hub City five. R. Armstrong was high for the Outlaws. Harlingen 790 818 820-2428 Aviators 766 788 825-2376

In the Oilers-Mechanics game Goforth was tops with a 523 series and Perkins took high honors for the three games. The Oilers won two out of three games.

Oilers 842 840 771-2453 Mechanics 817 788 820-2485

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Other than the No. 1 men, the ratings of boxers in the various classes were in the following order:

but decisions from the coaches offered the posts have not been received.

Indications were that Major Bob Neyland, coach of the University of Tennessee, would head the staff of instructors.

Many Want School

Bidding for the school were representatives from Dallas, Fort Worth, Tyler, Mineral Wells, Kerrville and Austin. Kerrville's bid, however, was made only on the possibility that the school would be given a permanent location.

The committee, which met Friday night and for several hours Saturday, reached no decision on what it would do regarding opposition to the new 18-year age limit to be invoked next season by the Interscholastic League.

This item of business was tabled but it was learned this did not mean the association had abandoned its efforts toward getting the rule repealed.

The point was stressed, however, that no organized fight was being made on the Interscholastic League but that the rule had been submitted to vote of some 400 coaches and superintendents in an effort to show the general sentiment as a guide for the Interscholastic League to follow. The rule was invoked without a referendum vote among the member schools.

All-Star Players

Plans were made for selection of 48 boys who finished their high school eligibility last season to play in the annual All-Star game, as a feature of the coaching school program.

The state was divided into regions to take in areas such as used in the basketball plan. Each region committee will turn in 12 nominations to the region chairman.

The chairmen turn these nominations over to general committees by February 10 and 24 boys are selected for each side, 24 representing the Northern section of the league football plan and a like number for the South section.

The general committees are:

South—Buddy Savage, Beaumont, chairman; Lee Mitchell, Yoakum; Clyde Park, Fort Stockton, and Buck Barr, Kingsville.

North—Ted Joffe, Wichita Falls, chairman; P. E. Shotwell, Longview; Harry Taylor, San Angelo, and J. G. Keves, Lubbock.

Nominations are made from eight regions.

X. Bible, coach of the University of Texas and a member of the National rules committee, said the rules of intercollegiate football next season would limit the quarters of high school games to twelve minutes.

Although the schedule was not completed, it was announced the Aggies would play the University of California at Los Angeles. Other teams expected to be scheduled are California and Ohio State in addition to the usual suicidal Southwest Conference schedule.

Previously, Norton had intimated the Aggies would play a light schedule in 1940.

No definite salary figures were cited after the Aggie board of directors approved Norton's new contract, but it was believed the veteran of 20 years coaching signed at a figure in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

Board members expressed gratification at securing Norton.

"So far as I'm concerned," the coach said, "I'm very happy and am not interested in a job anywhere besides A. & M. College of Texas."

The board announced, after a discussion of many attractive pre-conference game offers, that the athletic council would announce the schedule within a few days.

Nearly Fired

Only a season ago Norton, a mild man of 43 who has spent 23 years in the coaching profession, was threatened with dismissal after a potentially strong Cadet team stumbled through the season with a minus record of four wins, five losses and a tie.

The blowoff came when the University of Texas, loser of the eight straight games, played an amazing game to defeat an Aggie team favored by two touchdowns in the Thanksgiving Day classic, 7-6.

Some reports, never verified, were that athletic heads had discussed the thought of relieving Norton before the '38 schedule was completed. The bald mentor got another one-year contract when it seemed he was certain to go.

Virtually the same team, with the exception of Dandy Dick Todd, great climax runner, reported this Sunday, and Norton, changing his tactics, drove through to the finest season in A. & M. football history.

Complaints that Norton, a sickie for two years, wasn't making the proper contact with his boys vanished when he started sitting on the bench with the squad at each game and destroyed a makeshift lover he had used during his illness. Norton, in '38, sat atop a 25-foot tower and directed daily practice through a loudspeaker.

Norton was graduated from Birmingham-Southern College in 1916, played in four major sports. He played professional baseball before becoming head coach at Centenary College in 1920. Two years later he became line coach under Bo McMillin and was again made head coach in 1926.

Norton's Centenary teams wrecked Southwest Conference squads for years before he was chosen to succeed Matty Bell as head coach at Texas A. & M. in 1934. He had three undefeated teams at Centenary, two coming in 1932 and 1933, just before his switch to the Aggies.

In 15 years of head coaching, Norton's teams have won 93, lost 42 and tied 15. His Aggies teams have won 33, lost 23 and tied six.

NORTON INJURED

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.—(P)—Eugene Normile, one-time manager of Jack Dempsey, former world's heavyweight boxing champion, was under treatment in a hospital here Saturday for a wrenched back suffered in a forced airplane landing.

Normile was hurt when the small plane in which he was riding made a forced landing last Sunday near El Paso, Tex. He was shaken up, but continued here by airliner. He entered a hospital here Wednesday for an examination after suffering abdominal pains.

PATIENTS AT HOSPITALS

EDINBURG—R. E. Tompkins, Edinburg, was admitted Saturday as a patient. Harold Rains, Edinburg, was dismissed.

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RAYMONDVILLE CAGERS 'HOG' TOURNAMENT

Wrap Up Two Title Games At La Feria

Final Events Draw Large Crowd

By E. C. (Doc) OSBORN
LA FERIA — Raymondville's basketballers walked away with the Ninth Annual La Feria Lettermen's Club basketball tournament which came to a thrilling close Saturday afternoon.

The Bearcats won the senior high school championship by trimming the Mercedes Tigers 31 to 20 and the Bearkittens annexed the junior high school title when they defeated the Edinburg juniors, 16 to 12. The Bearcats are coached by Don Hightower and the Bearkittens by "Pop" Smith. It was Coach Hightower's first shot at a Valley cage title and the veteran "Pop" came through after making many real bids for top honors.

La Feria won the high school consolation championship by defeating Edcouch-Elsa, 26 to 16, and Donna won the junior high school consolation when they downed Dyford, 35 to 10.

Bearcats Beat Tigers

In the high school title scrap, Gilliland, Raymondville center, took scoring honors with 10 points, his teammate Taylor, close behind with eight. Hickman scored seven points for Mercedes. The Bearcats took an early lead and were never headed, the score standing 25 to 4 in their favor at the half. The Tigers made a fast finish but were never able to close the big scoring gap.

The junior high school final battle was a hard-fought one all the way. At the half the Raymondville quintet led, 8 to 4, and were ahead, 13 to 7, at the end of the third quarter. McClelland, Edinburg guard, and Callaway, Raymondville forward, shared high score honors, each accounting for five tallies. Edinburg missed 10 free throws and Raymondville fell down on nine tries.

Following the final game, which was witnessed by a large crowd, Robert Simandl, president of the Lettermen's Club, awarded the trophies and awards. Trophies went to the first and second place winners in each division and gold basketballs to each member of the championship quintets. Silver basketballs were awarded players on the second place teams. Consolation winners were also awarded trophies and the captain of each placing team received an honor medal.

Officials who worked the game were: Mil Auld, Lyford, R. E. Morris and J. C. Loveen, La Feria; Harold Vic, San Benito, C. L. Fischer, Harlingen, Glynn Jones, Sharyland, and Jack Lewis, Santa Rosa.

Teams Praised

C. E. (Toady) Vail, tournament director, stated that the tournament was one of the smoothest ever held here and gave each coach and team a boost for the fine sportsmanship shown throughout the tournament.

Other results of Saturday's games were as follows: high school consolation—Los Fresnos 26, Brownsville 20; Edcouch-Elsa 32; Rio Hondo 20; La Feria 23; Pharr-San Juan-Alamo 20; La Joya 21; Wilson Tract 4; Edcouch-Elsa 13; Los Fresnos 11 (two overtime periods); La Feria 26; Edcouch-Elsa 16; Championship—Mercedes 27; Edinburg 17; Raymondville 23; Harlingen 8.

Junior high school results: championship—Mercedes 19; Raymondville "B" 2; La Feria "A" 22; Edcouch-Elsa 11; Raymondville "A" 14; Brownsville B; McAllen 18; Mercedes 11; Edinburg 17; Pharr-San Juan-Alamo 10; Raymondville "A" 14; Edcouch-Elsa 8; Edinburg 27; McAllen 24. Consolation—Lyford 16; Weslaco 12; Raymondville "B" 9; La Feria "B" 7; Donna 23; Raymondville "B" 12.

Cougarettes Win Over Port Isabel

BROWNSVILLE — Miss Mildred Hanna's El Jardin Cougarettes routed a girls' basketball team from Port Isabel high school 55-4 at El Jardin Friday.

Meanwhile, El Jardin boys were losing to a Rio Hondo team 42-24 at the La Feria tournament.

Scorers for El Jardin girls were Evelyn Wilkerson, 28 points; Anna Floyd, 19; Rosemary Merrill, 4; Louise Limerick, 4. Other El Jardin players included Jean Hunter, center; Mary Elizabeth Baughman, right guard; Lois Martin, left guard; Corinne Walls, Doris Martin, Helida Rodriguez, Anita Mae Loop, Marjorie Merrill.

The present one is Port Isabel's first girls' team, according to Miss Gillespie, coach. Her lineup included S. Hinojosa, center; B. Schmidt, Baumfelder—guards; Buff, Williams, W. Schmidt, W. Hinojosa. Williams scored all her team's points.

Miss Katherine Stephens was referee.

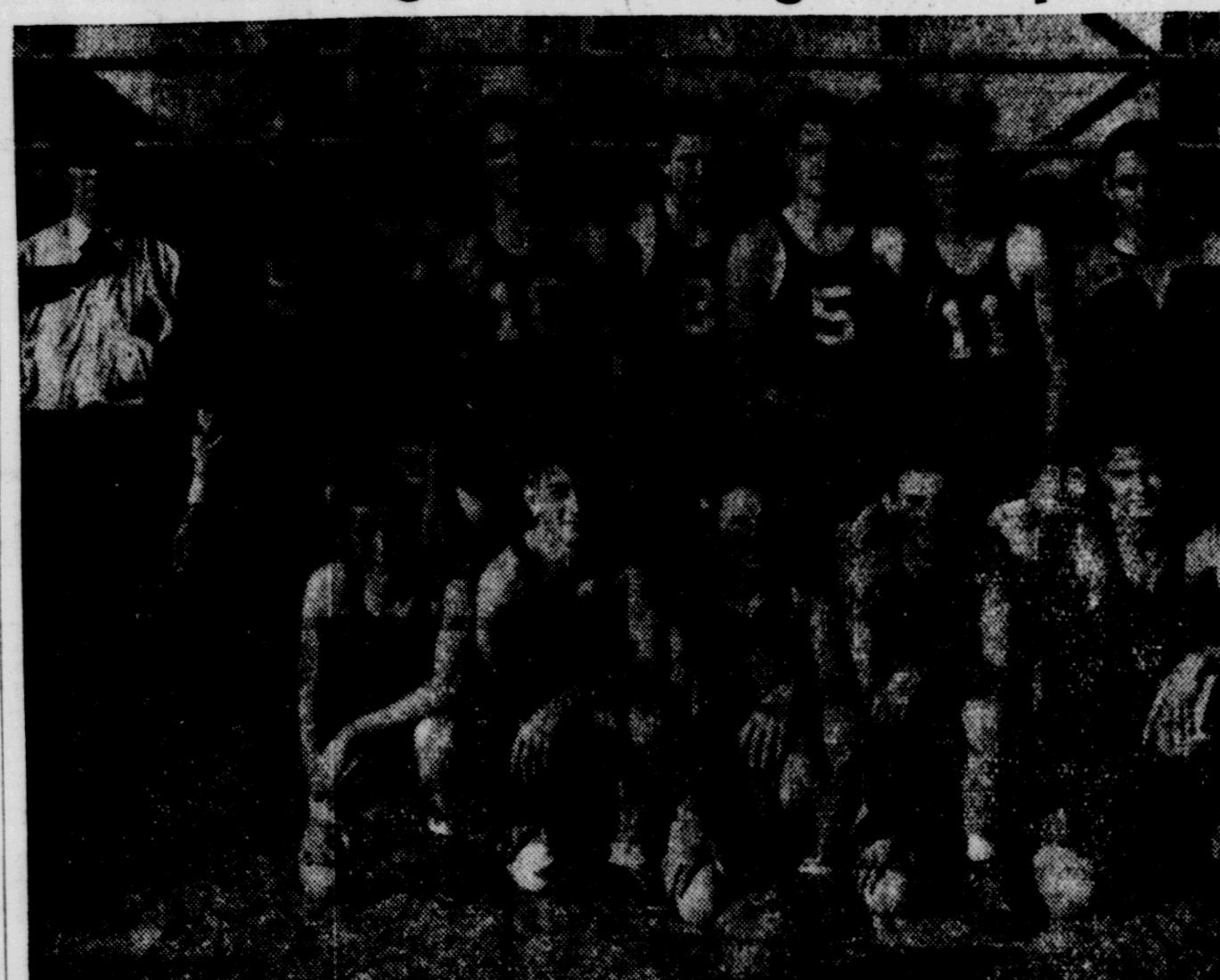
STUDENT RETURNS

EDINBURG—George Closner who is attending Texas A. & M. College, will be home for the weekend to act as best man to Roy O. Klossner in his wedding to Miss Betty Farmsworth of Donna, which will take place on Sunday, and to visit with his mother, Mrs. J. J. Closner and sister, Miss Annette.

VISITS SISTER

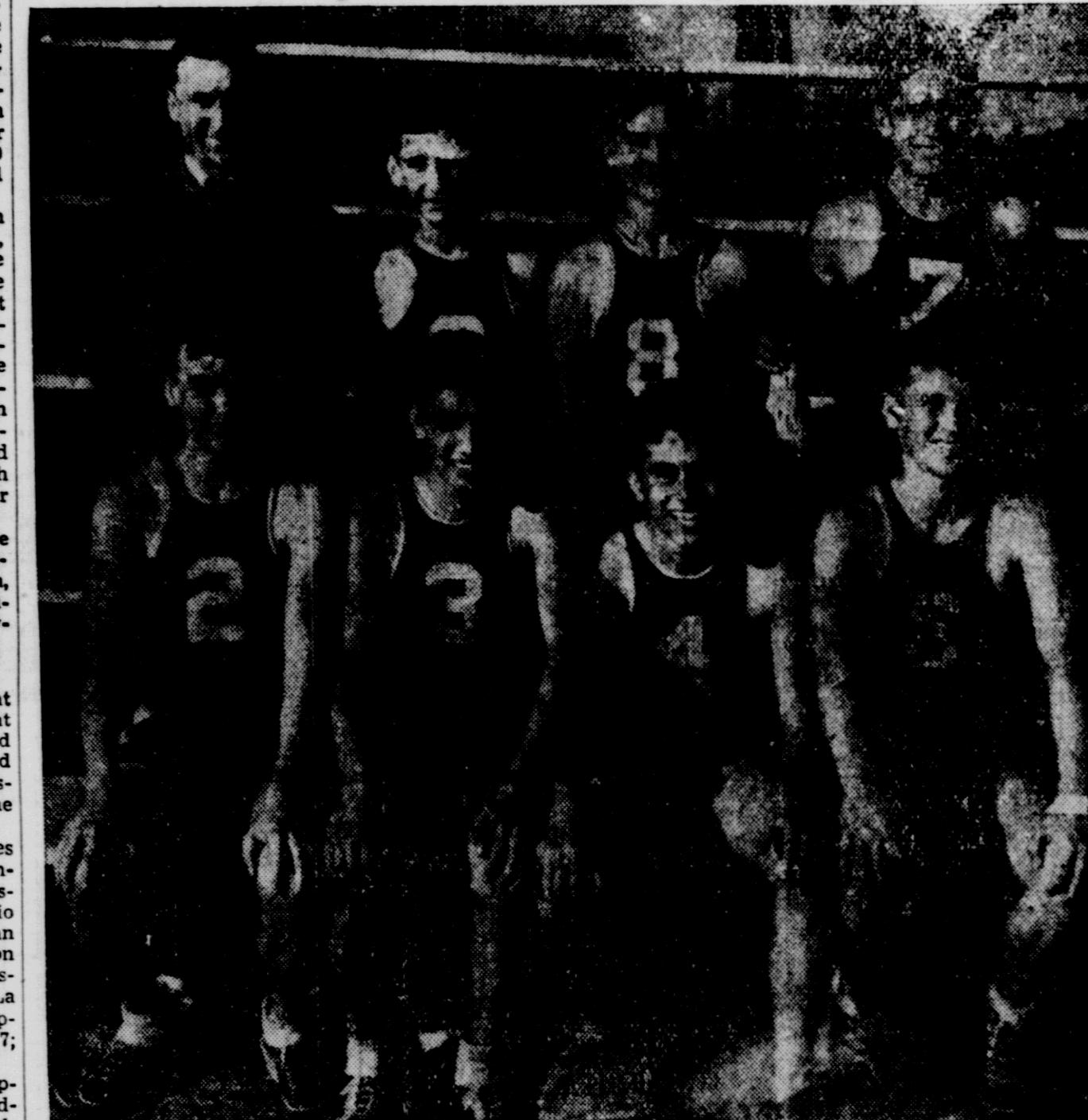
EDINBURG—Mrs. Earl Hollan visited with her sister, Mrs. Joe Baldridge, a few days, who returned to Harlingen with her to visit with her mother, Mrs. V. J. Koontz during the week-end. On Monday Mrs. Baldridge will return with Mrs. Hollan to her home in Victoria for a short visit.

Senior High School Cage Champs



Playing in championship form from start to finish, the Raymondville Bearcats won the championship of the high school division in the Ninth Annual La Feria Lettermen's basketball tournament. The Bearcats defeated the Mercedes Tigers, 31 to 20, in the title game. Pictured above are the new champions. Reading from left to right, front row, Severe Serna, Joe Allen Meyers, Kenneth Gryer, Norvin Parr, Cecil Ledgerwood. Back row, Coach Don Hightower, Aldrin Gilliland, Lalo Bazan, Hoyt Taylor, J. D. Beecham, Edwin Graham, Leighton Anderson. (Staff Photo.)

Champion Junior High Cagers



Flashing their championship smiles, the Raymondville junior high school cagers are shown above just after they had downed the Edinburg juniors, 16 to 12, to win the championship of the junior high division of the La Feria Lettermen's Club cage tourney. Reading from left to right, front row, J. T. Owen, Oscar Gonzaba, Lewis Castillo, Jimmy Callaway. Back row, Coach "Pop" Smith, Sam Dear, Bobby by Richmond, Noe Powers. (Staff Photo.)

Gene Venzke Noses Out Cunningham In VFW Mile

BOSTON—(P)—After trailing a mile field for seven of the ten laps, Gene Venzke of the New York Cunningham, who ran second from the gun, finished about four yards ahead of Chuck Fenske, former Wisconsin star, who set the pace until Venzke took over. Gene and Glenn came off the last turn about a yard apart and the Kansan's famous finish was only strong enough to erase two-thirds of his deficit.

The Kansan's defeat, highlight of the Veterans of Foreign Wars meet before 10,000 spectators at Boston Garden, was his first on Boston boards in nine years' campaigning.

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Box Scores

LA FERIA.—The La Feria Tournament high school championship box score:

Raymondville	Fg.	Ft.	Tps.
Parr, f.....	2	2	6
Bazan, f.....	2	3	7
Serna, f.....	0	0	0
Gilliland, c.....	5	0	10
Taylor, g.....	4	0	8
Ledgerwood, g.....	0	0	0
Totals.....	13	5	31
Mercedes	Fg.	Ft.	Tps.
Dalton, f.....	3	0	6
Eckman, f.....	3	1	7
Pylan, c.....	1	2	4
Crenshaw, g.....	0	1	1
Settles, g.....	0	0	0
Drawe, g.....	1	0	2
Totals.....	8	4	20

Officials: Glynn Jones, referee; Jack Lewis, umpire.

The junior high school championship box score:

Edinburg	Fg.	Ft.	Tps.
Wise, f.....	1	0	2
Crist, f.....	1	0	2
Pigg, f.....	0	0	0
Patterson, c.....	0	0	0
Champion, c.....	0	0	0
McClelland, g.....	2	1	5
Walker, g.....	0	1	1
Stout, g.....	1	0	2
Totals.....	5	2	12
Raymondville	Fg.	Ft.	Tps.
Dear, f.....	0	0	0
Callaway, f.....	2	1	5
Richmond, c.....	2	0	4
Gonzaba, g.....	1	0	2
Castillo, g.....	0	0	0
Owen, g.....	1	1	3
Powers, g.....	1	0	2
Totals.....	7	2	16

Officials: C. L. Fincher, referee; R. E. Morris, umpire.

The game was almost a repetition of last year's contest here between the same teams when the Mustangs won in the last 42 seconds of play. Never figured to have a chance against the Owls this time, the Mustangs tied the score five times.

Virgil Wilerson of S. M. U. chalked up fifteen points, four more than Frank Carswell, Rice's great guard.

S. M. U. hustled into an early 5 to 3 lead on Wilkerson's sharp-shooting. Then Carswell and Levi Craddock found the range and Rice was leading 17 to 10 with about four minutes left in the first half.

A Mustang spurt at this point, however, pulled them up within a point of Rice, but the Owls staged another scoring spree and the half ended with the visitors leading 21 to 18.

Rice FG FT PF TP

Craddock, f..... 2 3 2 7

Gomez, f..... 1 0 2 2

Steakley, f..... 1 0 4 2

Palmer, f..... 1 0 0 2

Kinney, c..... 4 1 1 9

Selman, g..... 1 1 1 3

Carswell, g..... 5 1 2 11

Totals..... 15 6 12 36

S. M. U. FG FT PF TP

Coppedge, f..... 2 1 2 5

Sebeck, f..... 2 1 4 5

Clement, f..... 0 0 0 0

Wilkinson, c..... 6 3 2 15

Keeton, g..... 2 3 1 7

Sprague, g..... 0 0 1 0

Jones, g..... 1 0 4 2

Keith, g..... 0 0 0 0

Totals..... 13 8 14 34

Half-time score: Rice 21, S. M. U. 18.

Officials: Curtis and Sears.

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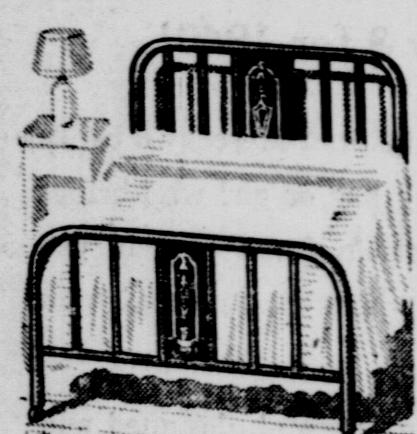
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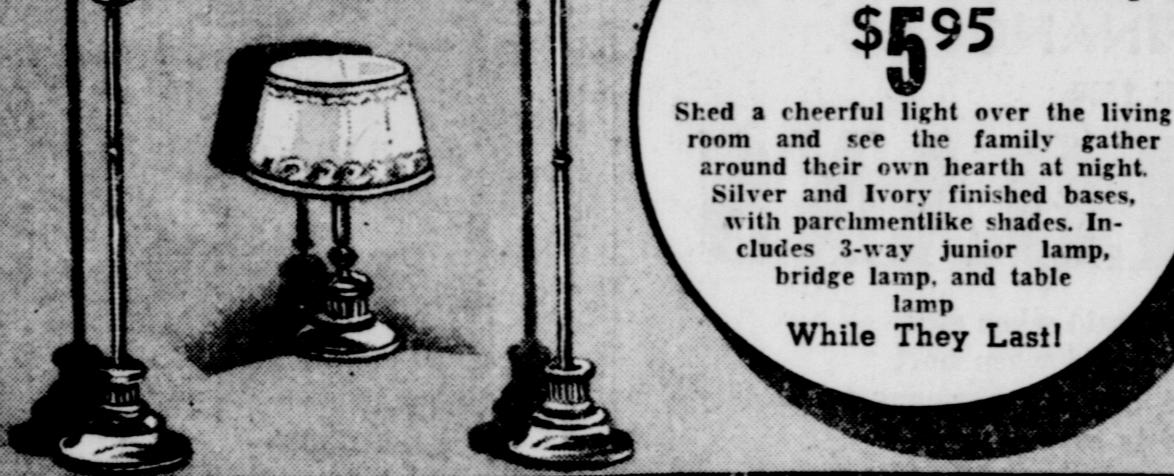
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Mrs. Garcia rides almost daily, especially when she visits her husband's ranch in northern Mexico.

(Harry Pederson Portrait)

Society

VALLEY SUNDAY
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Sunday, January 14, 1940

Section 2

Bridal Courtesy Informal

MERCEDES — Honoring Miss Betty Maxine Farnworth of Mercedes, whose marriage to Roy Closer of Houston, will take place Sunday morning, Miss Helen Teal Stotler was hostess at an enjoyable informal gathering at her home on Thursday evening.

The entertaining rooms were colorful in arrangements of winter flowers. In an interesting contest, an attractive prize won by Miss Lois Bell, was tendered the honor guest. Miss Helen Teal Stotler presided at the tea table for the serving of refreshments. The honoree received a lovely gift from the group.

Additional guests who were present included Mrs. Lellah Lyle, Mrs. W. E. Perry, Miss Anna Lee Williams, Miss Wilma Lee Pope, Miss Amy Cornish, Miss Maurine Phillips, Miss Edith Dilling, Miss Edwards and Miss Katherine Rogers.

Dance Club to Meet

WESLACO — The LaCamarilla Dance Club will entertain for the January dance at the Cortez Monday night, January 15.

The election of officers and directors for the new year will take place.

San Antonio Guests

MISSION — A party of Mission people who spent several days in San Antonio as guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wheeler, was composed of Mrs. Wheeler's mother, Mrs. Otto Woods and her sisters, Miss Thomas Pickens and Mrs. Norton Boyd, Mr. Boyd and Mr. Pickens.

Miss Wheeler and baby daughter are expected in Mission the latter part of the week to attend some of the fiesta events.

Mrs. Herbert M. Alston is feted by Hostess Group in Mercedes

MRS. H. C. Alston, mother, and Mrs. S. C. Marr Texarkana, grandmother of the bridegroom, Mrs. H. T. Tidmore, mother of the honoree, presided at the tea table, serving dainty refreshments.

The honoree wore a black taffeta dinner frock, with matching accessories.

The reception room was gay with poinsettias and greenery. For the lace-covered tea table the centerpiece was a group of white lighted tapers. The many lovely gifts were unwrapped by the honoree.

Others present for this pretty affair were Misses Pat and Bonnie Enliker, and Dorothy Lee Hawkins, of McAllen Mary Louise Pennington, Mildred Thamas, Helen Teal Stotler, Jackie Johnson, Amy Cornish, Lois Bell, Maurine Phillips, Betty Farnworth, Daisy Ellen Poole of Pharr, Betty Jean Shotwell, Winter Martin, Margaret Brown of Edinburg, Alice Wood, Alice Edington, of Weslaco, Mary Edith McFarling of Donna.

Mesdames C. E. Blankenship, Dorothy Costin, L. N. Rice, Virgil Thompson, Howard Shook of Weslaco, Marvin Farley of Weslaco, Chris Bray, Eura Reid, O. Kent Jones, Paul Williams, W. P. Coppen of Harlingen, Don Taylor, Lellah Lyle, L. R. Graham, Pat Mitchell.

Betas Meet Monday

BROWNSVILLE — Members of the Beta Sigma Phi chapter will gather Monday evening at 8 o'clock

in the home of Mrs. Thurman A. Kinder, Jr.

Dance Given By Couples

BROWNSVILLE — Highlighting recent events was the dance at which three couples entertained about two hundred and fifty Saturday evening at the Brownsville Country Club.

Hosts were Mr. and Henry C. Kristoffersen, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Hilliard, and Mr. and Mrs. Francis I. Jacobs.

They entertained between 9 and 1 o'clock at the club which had been transformed through the use of purple boughavillea.

Assisting them in host duties were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Thomas, Dr. and Mrs. James L. Rentfro, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Maxwell, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Pippinger, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Brundage, and Mr. and Mrs. William Pryce.

There were several enjoyable affairs before the dance.

Springtime Chosen As Wedding Date

McALLEN — Sometime in the spring Miss Jeanette McKenzie of McAllen and Woodrow Goldsmith of Harlingen will be married.

The engagement and approaching marriage of the young couple were announced Wednesday at a tea given by the bride-elect's sister, Mrs. Jack Peters of Weslaco at home from three until five o'clock.

Guests upon their entrance were given tiny white scrolls embossed with "Woodrow-Jeanette spring."

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mrs. Ethel McKenzie of McAllen. The groom — elect is the son of Mrs. C. C. Goldsmith of Harlingen where he makes his home.

Guests at the tea were received by Mrs. Peters, Mrs. McKenzie, Mrs. Goldsmith, Mrs. Robert Condit of Los Indios and the bride-to-be.

Tea was served at a table centered with a spray of double poinsettias, making an effective contrast against the white linen cloth which covered the board. Mrs. C. C. Woods, Jr., of San Benito poured the tea while Mrs. S. W. Milt of Weslaco presided at the coffee service.

In the other rooms of the house the red and white theme prevailed with red and white gladioli forming an artistic combination.

Miss McKenzie is well known in McAllen where she made her home until her junior year in high school when she went to Harlingen where she was graduated from the high school. At present she is employed in Weslaco where she makes her home with her sister.



Riding is the favorite sport of Miss Sarah Shidler of San Benito, who is a member of Bit and Spur, riding club at the University of Texas, Austin, where she is a student. Miss Shidler, who returned to Austin early

this month after spending the holidays at her home in San Benito, is a member of Kappa Gamma Delta sorority. (Photo by Holbrook)



Miss Mary Ellen Osborn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Osborn of Harlingen, is another Valleye sorority member who spends most of her recreation in the saddle. Miss Osborn is attending Texas A. & M. College at Kingsville

where she is a favorite with classmates and an outstanding student. She is vice president of Alpha Sigma sorority. (Photo by Holbrook)

This 'N' That

By Minnie Gilbert

EARLY maturity of plants and flowers in the Rio Grande Valley has become legendary to farmers and gardeners, accustomed to crops or blooms weeks ahead of other sections.

But a camellia blossoms from a plant brought from Houston at Christmastime must be something of a record.

The camellia, a new pink variety, is now opening from a bud at the home of Mrs. J. C. Atchison on Lee Street in Harlingen. The plant was a gift from her son, John Cook Atchison and was expected to bloom in February.

About 75 blooms were produced by another camellia variety he brought to her from Houston last year.

MRS. E. F. Bohner, San Benito, takes all records when it comes to growing narcissus.

Instead of a half dozen white spikes from a carefully tended bowl of bulbs, Mrs. Bohner gets literally masses of sturdy blooms from luxuriant plants growing in the yard with comparatively little attention.

AN ASTONISHING bit of scientific help in rooting cuttings was handed us this week and, since this is the time to be rooting roses, hibiscus, bougainvillea, and what have you, we'll just pass it on.

Buy from your druggist one gram of Vitamin B-1, directions for the formula start, adding that the druggist will dilute this powerful vitamin in an ounce of water when he gives it to you.

And one drop of the solution added to a gallon of water and used to soak bougainvillea or other cuttings before planting will produce plants in ninety days equal to usual growth made in four to six months.

That's the way it was told to us.

COMBINATIONS of flowers that blend beautifully into arrangements feature bougainvillea are almost endless. Dr. J. Gregory Conway told flower lovers attending his lectures Thursday and Friday in Harlingen.

He expressed the opinion that except for rather austere arrangements where the showy shrub is used sparingly, purple bougainvillea is most effective when arranged with other flowers in the same color analogy.

Purple petunias, violets, larkspur and the deeper shades on the color wheel, including the reddish violet of E. G. Hill roses, he feels are more effective than the other range extending into the softer colors.

"Use the purple bougainvillea in a white container only in an analogy," he advises; suggesting combining blossoms in shadings from reddish violet (E. G. Hill roses); gladioli (rosy pink) and pink (Rombeaea).

For a monochromatic arrangement with bougainvillea, that is, flowers of different species, but the same color and similar in weight or feeling, zinnias in a certain shade would be a good choice, he told the class.

Never red and purple bougainvillea together and don't plant them near each other, he advised, voicing a tabu that most Valley gardeners and decorators have either consciously or unconsciously been observing.

For a complementary arrangement of bougainvillea the flowers should be on the opposite side of the color chart in the same medium color value as the rich color of cup of gold or perhaps lupine but not purple or clear yellow.

VALLEY women are not only growing bougainvillea in their gardens, along the back fence, parks, streets, and school grounds, but they are using them for decoration on any an davery occasion.

But they're not going to be monotonous about it.

Plenty of ideas started fermenting during the flower arrangement school and others will be developed.

If Dr. Conway should return a year from next month when the Valley Bougainvillea Trail is officially inaugurated, we'll wager local women could give him some pointers for combinations with bougainvillea.

NEW experience in an entirely different field this writer means to give a whirl is the Gilbert and Sullivan opera coming to the Strand this week. Radios have been spouting music from the revived favorites of the Gay Nineties for months, and chance to see one come to life is on our calendar marked "must." It's the "Mikado" and in technicolor. And to make it a musical week Schubert is showing at another Harlingen theatre.

Part women play in civic affairs is being recognized more widely in recent years by the men.

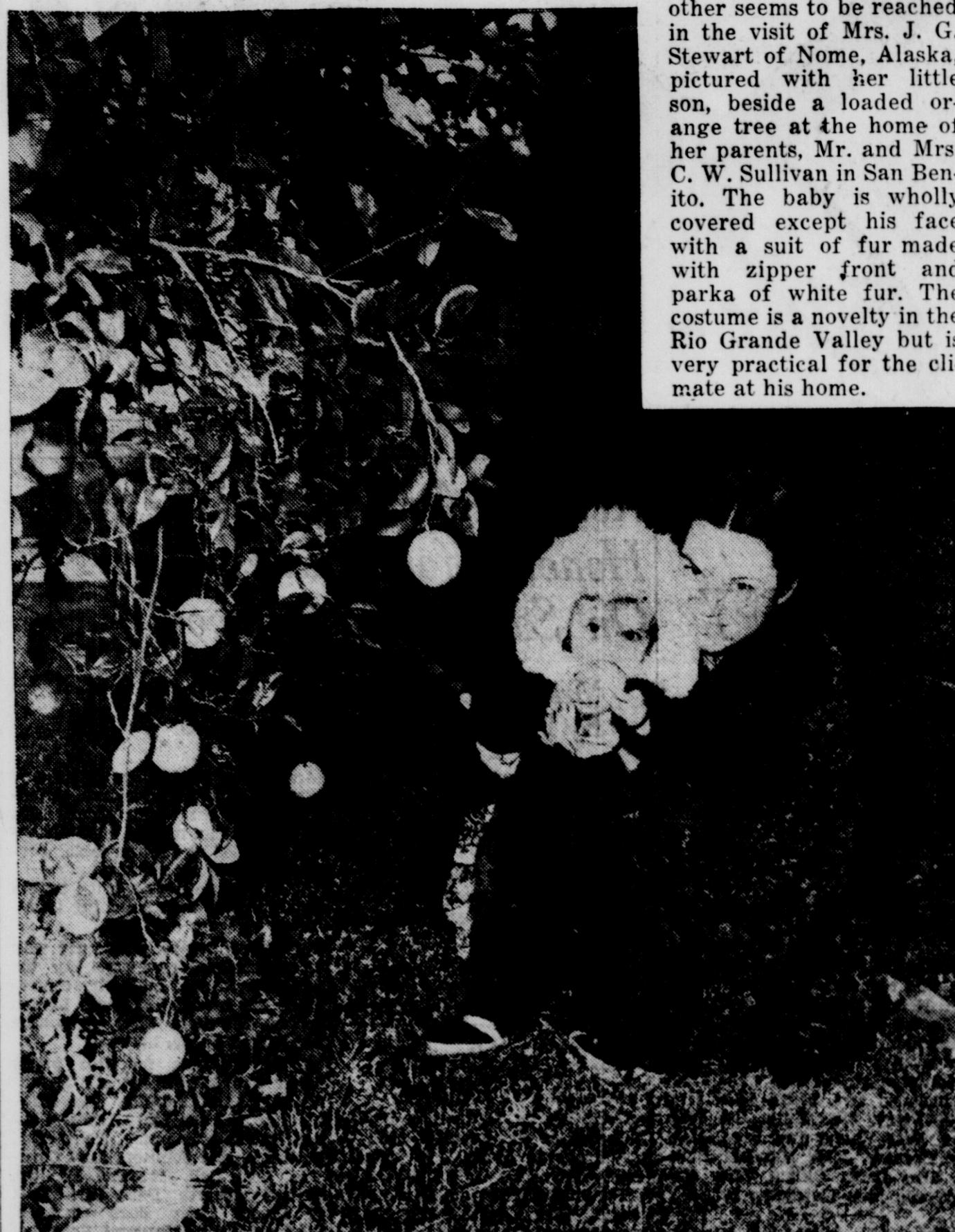
The past week in Edinburg the Joan McWhorter award for outstanding civic service in 1939 went to Mrs. H. O. Schaben, recognition that gives satisfaction to Mrs. Schaben's very wide circle of friends throughout the Valley.

Pharr Club Starts Activity in Behalf Coming Flower Show

PHARR — Organization of women's forces here to stimulate interest in the National Flower and Garden Show as a cultural and educational enterprise was started today with the appointment of Mrs. E. M. Whitaker, vice president of the Pharr Garden club, as chairman, serving with Mrs. C. E. Self as official hostess who will greet the visitors to the National Flower and Garden Show in Houston, Texas and as vice chairman, Mrs. Kenneth Fox, Mrs. George McCullough and Mrs. Ashley Cathron. The latter being president of Pharr's Garden club.

ARRIVES FOR WINTER

MERCEDES — Mrs. S. C. Barr of Texarkana, has arrived to spend the remaining winter months in Mercedes, with her daughter, Mrs. H. C. Weston and family.

Baby From Alaska Has Fur Outfit

From one extreme to the other seems to be reached in the visit of Mrs. J. G. Stewart of Nome, Alaska, pictured with her little son, beside a loaded orange tree at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sullivan in San Benito. The baby is wholly covered except his face with a suit of fur made with zipper front and parka of white fur. The costume is a novelty in the Rio Grande Valley but is very practical for the climate at his home.

Setting For Study Presented

BROWNSVILLE — Mrs. C. S. Eidman was program leader for members of the Literature and Arts Review club Friday morning at the home of Mrs. Thurman A. Kinder, Jr.

Mrs. Eidman gave the historical background for study of 18th century literature, giving the religious, political, intellectual, and social developments of the period between 1668 and 1789. The most important literary event of that time, she said, was the appearance of the novel in the form in which it is known today. She mentioned the first novel, "Pamela" by Richardson which will be reviewed by Mrs. Winslow Hodge at the next session.

Attending the meeting were Mesdames Joseph C. Jordan, G. D. Sutton, James L. Rentro, C. S. Eidman, R. A. Porter, James L. Abney, Howard L. Cummings, Winslow Hodge, Hubert R. Hudson, James A. Maxwell, Jr., M. P. McNair, Rufus Ransome, George J. Toland, Joe K. Wells, Volney W. Taylor, and Penrose W. Hirst, members.

Guests were Mesdames Jack Mace, E. J. Tegarden, Jr., Thomas H. Sweeney, Ralph C. Schmelz, Ted C. Pelikan, O. M. Brundage, Albert Terrazas, Robert M. Duffey, Thomas E. Yett, Thurman A. Kinder, and L. S. Kinder, the last of Los Angeles, California.

Mrs. Taylor will be hostess January 26.

Assistance On Project Is Sought

MCCALLEN — To further the 1940 project, which means clothes for babies to indigent families, members of the McAllen Child Study Club Saturday appealed to the generosity of Valley parents for assistance.

The club is collecting clothing for layettes for babies and recently were unable to answer one request because of dearth of equipment.

Members said any outgrown, discarded baby or children's clothing would be highly acceptable. Donors may telephone Mrs. Jack Page, Mrs. W. H. Cain, Mrs. Lonard Irving or Mrs. Henry Erdmann and arrangements will be made to call for the donations.

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Banquet Slated Jan. 27

HARLINGEN — Plans for the school of instruction, to be held in Harlingen January 27 and to be attended by grand officers of Texas, were discussed at the Thursday meeting of the local O. E. S. chapter. Persons interested in attending the banquet are asked to phone Mrs. Osce Fristoe, 262-W or Mrs. E. J. McGlathery, 176, by Monday. Highlight of the evening was the outstanding tribute paid to J. M. Paine, husband of the present worthy matron and an active member in the chapter for 20 years. Mr. Paine was presented with a life membership as a surprise tribute from the chapter. Presentation was made by Robert Webb with an appropriate poem.

Please refreshments were served by Mrs. Ida Bowersox.

GLEANERS CLASS IS ENTERTAINED

Mrs. S. B. Izzard and Mrs. Ewing D. Clark were hostesses Thursday afternoon to the Gleaners Class of the First Baptist church at the home of Mrs. Clark. Mrs. Sophia Larson was in charge of the business period as president; Mrs. L. C. White gave the devotional and Miss Lily Stroud the prayer.

Mrs. Ruby Whitworth had charge of the entertainment, conducting an intelligence test and games.

The hostesses served coffee and cake.

Guests were Mesdames L. A. Wilson, Ruby Witherspoon, D. B. Meadows and W. A. Holt and Miss Lily Stroud. Members present included Mesdames May McIntosh, W. A. Smith, L. B. Holmes, J. A. Wilson, Ruby Whitworth, Katherine Sissell, Lizzie Winsor, Sophia Larson L. E. White, W. L. Spradling, and E. A. Shelton.

Lyford Class Group Has Monthly Meet

LYFORD — Monthly business meeting of the T. E. L. Class of the Baptist church was held Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Adele Parker Reports indicating satisfactory progress were made.

In the social period the hostess served a dainty salad plate.

Mrs. M. B. Bagley gave the devotional as the meeting opened.

Mrs. Hampton Kennedy



Mrs. Hampton Kennedy is the former Miss Emily Jane Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Clark, of Brownsville, former San Benito residents. Her marriage was celebrated in early January in rites read in Rio Hondo. Mrs. Kennedy, granddaughter of Mrs. L. S. Robinson of San Benito, and the late Mr. Robinson, plans to join her husband in Birmingham, Ala., soon. A number of events have been planned in her honor.

(A. Rogers Photo)

Meeting Is Monday

EDCOUCH — The Delta Legion Post and Auxiliary No. 180 will hold a regular meeting Monday night, January 15, at the high school cafeteria.

Mrs. Mary V. Adkins is chairman for the program on "Rehabilitation and Child Welfare."

Pharr Event Is Surprise For Birthday

PHARR — Mrs. W. R. Walters was honored for a delightful surprise birthday party, Wednesday evening, when a number of friends gave a "storm call" at her home.

A variety of early spring blossoms were brought to array the rooms, where a series of games were enjoyed. Mrs. Walters was presented with a beautiful lace table cloth.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Davis Mr. and Mrs. I. Schlesinger of McAllen, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gamble Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vandever, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Vandever, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Napper, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Chorpenning, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Delp, Mrs. Cora Walters, Mrs. Verna Hansen, Mrs. T. Ross, Mr. Arnold, W. R. Walters, Donnie Walters and the honoree. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. C. E. Boren entertained with a delightful surprise party Wednesday evening honoring her son, W. H. Boren on his birthday anniversary. Red roses decorated the home. Dancing was enjoyed and a salad and sandwich plate was served. Mr. and Mrs. Miller Boren of Edinburgh, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Collins of McAllen, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Boren, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Boren and Joe Gioco were guests.

Child Training Program Topic

HARLINGEN — Mrs. Harvey Richards was leader for the program presented at the Thursday meeting of the Child Study club at the attractive new home of Mrs. Louis Seligman on Dan Moody Street.

Topic was "Are You Teaching Your Child to Help Himself" and members answered roll call by giving experiences of their own along this line.

Gift of a Christmas basket for the family the club is helping was reported by the welfare committee. Announcement was made that the group maintains a layette which is available on call by the local welfare worker for a needy mother.

Iced punch and sandwiches were served to thirteen members.

The club will hold a luncheon meeting in two weeks at the home of Mrs. Joe Wood with Mrs. J. C. Thrash as co-hostess. Program will feature a guest speaker.

Music Lovers Club To Select Officers

HARLINGEN — Officers for the coming year will be elected at the meeting of the Music Lovers club Wednesday at 3:15 p.m. Members are asked to be on time since the musical program is to commence at 3:30 p.m.

Mrs. A. J. Fett will lead the program on "The Musical Amateur" with Mrs. Julie Kleinschmidt and Miss Mary Elizabeth Charles giving selections. Mrs. J. A. Alderder will direct "American Broadcasting." Sharing in this portion of the program will be Mesdames Hubert Herren, L. L. Wheeler, Henry Carllie and Ernest Wright.

Guests in Edcouch Honored by Dinner

HARLINGEN — Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Adkins and Mrs. Minnie Barr were hostesses for a Mexican dinner Tuesday night honoring their guests from Earl Park, Ind. In the group were Mr. and Mrs. Peter Barr and their son, Gene and wife and baby, Judith. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. James Barr and Rosemary and Jimmie Adkins.

Mrs. Roe Sorosis President

ALAMO — Mrs. Leonard Davis was hostess for the regular meeting of the Sorosis Club of Alamo on Thursday.

Mrs. Leonard Johnson, president, announced the appointment of Mrs. Arthur Kautsch as courtesy chairman for the remainder of the year.

The election of officers for the next year was held, the following being selected: president, Mrs. Effie Roe; vice president, Mrs. Dick Hodgson; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Frank Denzer.

The study of Sweden was continued, Mrs. W. D. Whalen, program leader introducing Mrs. Arthur Dreke who read her paper on "Religion, Government and Statesmen." A paper on "Education, Science and Athletics" prepared by Mrs. Frank Denzer was read by Mrs. Whalen. Mrs. Effie Roe accompanied by Mrs. Davis sang two solos.

There were seventeen present.

Mrs. Effie Roe and her mother, Mrs. Ada Wilson, were hostesses to Circle Two of the Community Church Ladies Aid Wednesday when they served a one o'clock luncheon to 21 members and ten visitors. A shower was also held for Mrs. Carl Eddy who received many lovely gifts. Mrs. G. L. Cowley will be hostess for next month's luncheon.

Evening Club Entertained By Dierlags

BROWNSVILLE — Mr. and Mrs. Dierlag entertained members of their evening bridge club Thursday evening at their home. Chrysanthemums were used about the home, furnishing a pretty setting.

In the living room the flowers were white, and in the dining room where the buffet supper was served, the bronze blossoms were used.

In the games, Bascom Cox was high. The hostess presented Mrs. Daniel S. Mann of Chicago, Illinois, a pretty remembrance.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Ernst, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ingram, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Allen, Dr. and Mrs. Roy F. Breedon, members, and Mrs. Mann, a guest.

The club will meet the second Thursday evening in February with Mr. and Mrs. Ernst.

Surprise Party Fete Observance Of Natal Date

MCCALLEN — Mrs. Vance Davis was honored with a surprise party in observance of her birthday anniversary Monday evening when a group of friends and old neighbors gathered at the Davis home to celebrate the event.

Refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Vandever, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Walters and son Donnie, Mrs. Cora Walters, Mr. and Mrs. E. Gamble, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Vandever, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Napper, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Chorpenning, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Delp, Mrs. F. Ross, Mrs. Verna Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. I. Schlesinger, Vance Davis and Mr. Arnold.

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Valley Pan-Hellenic To Meet Saturday

HARLINGEN — Miss Louise Hill president of the Valley Pan Hellenic Association, has announced that the January luncheon meeting will be held Saturday, January 20, in Mercedes. Mrs. Henry Lauderdale is to be in charge of arrangements. Place for the luncheon will be announced later. Reservations may be made with Mrs. Lauderdale.

Miss Margel Decker, Billy Moncus Wed

STUART PLACE — Miss Margel Decker and Billy Moncus were married in Falfurrias January 5. Miss Decker is the daughter of Mrs. Winnie Decker of Stuart Place and graduated from high school here.

The couple will make their home near Combes.

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Mrs. R. F. Graham Entertains Club

LA FERIA — Mrs. R. F. Graham was hostess to the Cultural Club Thursday at her home. Arrangements of cut flowers gave a festive air.

In charge of the business period was Mrs. H. S. Hensley, president.

Mrs. J. S. Bond gave a very interesting paper on "Poetry."

The hostess served refreshments to 16 members and one guest, Miss Josee Massey, of Robstown.

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Mrs. Mike Vandever of McAllen

One of the lovely post-Christmas brides was Mrs. Mike Vandever of McAllen, pictured here at her home in the City of Palms. Both Mrs. Vandever, the former Georgia DeVries, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. DeVries, and her husband are well known and popular in Upper Valley circles.

Jack Lamb To Return To Valley

HARLINGEN — Interesting to lovers of sports and the country's scenic spots is the announcement that the Rio Grande Valley Council of Garden Clubs will sponsor the appearance of Jack Lamb and his motion pictures at the Harlingen Municipal Auditorium Feb. 9 at 8 p. m.

Lamb, noted sportsman, appeared in the Valley last year. The motion pictures he showed at that time were exquisite shots of famous garden and scenic spots in the country.

Announcement of Lamb's coming was made at a meeting of the executive board of the Council meeting here Friday. Representatives of every Valley garden club were present at the meeting, held during the noon recess of the school on Friday arrangement.

Tickets for Lamb's pictures went on sale Saturday and may be obtained at a cost of 25 cents from any Valley Garden club or at the door, previous to the performance.

Mrs. W. H. Hall of Harlingen was named general chairman of the Valley exhibit to the National Flower Show at Houston to be held from February 28 to March 5. Final plans on the Valley exhibit will be announced later by Mrs. Hall, Mrs. W. W. Holmes of McAllen, Council president, said.

The next meeting of the Council will be held at La Feria Feb. 9 at 11 a. m.

Members of the executive board were unanimous in their decision to tender a Valley invitation for the 1941 state federation of Garden Clubs convention. The 1940 session will be held in Temple in April.

Valentine Motif Noted

SAN JUAN — One of the most attractive bridge dinners of the season was given by Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Munal Wednesday night at their home on Stewart Road. Yellow daisies in crystal holders harmonized with the Valentine theme which was carried out in the bridge accessories and prize wrappings. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Reichert were winners of high scores, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Shaffstall won the bingo awards and Mrs. J. E. Wilkins and Walter Good received the consolation prizes.

The personnel of this delightful party included Messrs and Mesdames Clark Mellenbruck, J. E. Wilkins, Arthur Reichert, Charles Starlin, Randall Hensley, Walter F. Good, L. A. Shaffstall, Mrs. Patrick Sullivan, Jack Stone and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Marshall of McAllen.

Gladiola Growing Topic For Program For Garden Members

HARLINGEN — Growth of gladioli will be discussed at the meeting of the Harlingen Garden Club at the meeting Thursday at 3 p. m. at the Woman's Building. Mrs. J. B. Chambers is to be the speaker.

Hostesses for the afternoon will be Mesdames M. C. Chandler, Lewis Boggus and L. B. Sherman.

Full attendance of members is especially urged as plans will be made for the exhibit and other details in connection with the Valley Mid-Winter Fair this month.

Scandinavia Topic For Sorosis Club

LA FERIA — The Sorosis Club met Thursday night with Miss Cleo Hickman as hostess at the home of Mrs. Moet. The topic for the program was "Epic and Legends of the Scandinavian Countries."

Miss Elsie Thompson, program director, gave "Volsunga Saga" which was the basic story upon which Wagner used for his operas "Das Rheingold" and "Die Walkure".

The five dollar bond of tuberculosis seals which the club had purchased at an earlier date was presented to the club.

The hostess served refreshments.

Mission Couple Celebrate 63 Years of Wedded Life; Both Active, Mentally Alert

MISSION — Many Valley friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Boatwright joined them in the quiet observance of their 63rd wedding anniversary. Their only son, Homer Boatwright of Baird, is spending the week with his parents. His wife and the widow of another son, Mrs. John Boatwright are among other guests.

McAllen Rose Day Success Reported

MCALLEN — Rose Day, celebrated Wednesday, was a financial success, Mrs. H. E. Whigham, McAllen chairman said, reporting the local Garden Club selling roses which grossed \$140.

Mrs. Whigham said she expected the net profit to be approximately \$70.

The general committee expressed appreciation for the cooperation given by McAllen merchants and residents.

Proceeds will be used for local beautification. Bougainvillea bushes and carpet grass were planted Thursday on the esplanade, south of the Casa de Palmas hotel. Beautification of that esplanade is a Garden club project.

Literature, Arts Review Club Called In Special Session

BROWNSVILLE — A brief but important meeting of the Literature and Arts Review club has been called for Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock by Mrs. M. P. McNair, president.

The session will be held at the McNair home, and all members

Honoree From Texas A. & M.

One of Edinburg's attractive young women, Miss Harriet Hagedorn, was named honoree for Texas A. & M. College at the University of Texas dance held recently at the Casa de Palmas Hotel in McAllen. Miss Hagedorn, a graduate from Our Lady of the Lake College, San Antonio, is employed in Edinburg at present.

Annual Affair Monday

HARLINGEN — Prominent among affairs scheduled for early in the week is the Junior Study Club's annual house to be observed Monday evening at eight o'clock in the Woman's Building. The event is a tradition with the club for the New Year season and junior club members from neighboring towns as well as members of the mother club are to be guests.

An especially attractive program has been arranged, details for which are being kept secret, in accordance with a club custom for several seasons.

BUSINESS WOMEN TO MEET MONDAY

Dinner meeting of the Harlingen Business and Professional Women's Club will be held at 7:30 p. m. Monday at the Reese-Wil-Mond hotel. Miss Virginia Hammer will have charge of the program. Reservations should be made with Mrs. Myrtle Householder.

MRS. H. E. BUTT TO BE SPEAKER

Mrs. H. E. Butt will be guest speaker at the regular meeting of the High School Parent-Teacher Association Monday at 3:30 p. m. at the school. An executive board meeting will be held at 2:30 p. m.

ANNUAL PROGRAM TO BE OBSERVED

Annual foreign missions program for the Presbyterian Women's Auxiliary will be observed Tuesday when the group meets at 3 p. m. at the church.

Mrs. Hall Is Honored

MERCEDES — Mrs. Frank Hall of Chicago, formerly of Mercedes, who is visiting relatives in the Valley, was honored at a delightful bridge luncheon, served Mexican style, given by Mrs. H. J. Menton at her home Thursday. Red gladioli and red zinnias accented a color note of red and green, for the reception room, while in the dining, where luncheon was served at a long table, marigolds filled blue vases, to note a color scheme of blue and gold. Pottery dishes were used for serving.

Others who found places at the table were Mrs. E. J. Johnson, Mrs. R. E. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Tom Marchbanks of San Benito, Mrs. H. B. Seay, Mrs. R. H. Kern, Mrs. Jack Martin and Mrs. Ann Scott.

Mrs. James Harter Reviews Book For Child Study Club

LA FERIA — Mrs. James Harter gave a review of the book "Widder's Wife" at the Wednesday meeting of the Child Study club at the home of Mrs. D. M. McLeod.

A sweet course was served to Messrs and Mesdames Herren, Harry Soether, Charles Pearce, Miller Armstrong, Jr. and the Kethleys.

Past Matron Honored

PHAROON — Mrs. Loren Dumont of Iowa City, Ia., was presented with a lovely gift at the Tuesday night meeting of the Eastern Star Chapter. Mrs. Dumont, a past matron of the chapter and former resident is making a visit here.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting to a large number.

Favorites to Appear On Benefit Program

MERCEDES — Well-known Valley talent will appear on the benefit program to be presented by the South Palm Garden Welfare club Friday night, January 19, 8 o'clock, at the South Palm Garden school, according to Mrs. E. C. Kramer, president.

Among those appearing on the program will be Mrs. Herbert Alston, Frank Yoder and daughter Miss Millicent, of Weslaco, who will give musical numbers; Mr. Cantrell of Weslaco; four members of the Weslaco High School band and the Rio Male Quartette from Donna.

Mrs. Ida Love of McAllen will present a number of her pupils in dance and song numbers. Among those taking part will be Nina Jane Cox of Edinburg, and Jeanette Rucker of McAllen. Tickets will be 10 and 25 cents.

Society Calendar

MCALLEN —

12:30 p. m.—The Pan American Round Table will meet for luncheon at the Casa de Palmas Hotel.

2:30 p. m.—Mrs. D. F. Matthews will be hostess to the McAllen Book club at her home in Pharr.

3:00 p. m.—The McAllen Music Club will meet with Mrs. Scott Dougherty.

Tuesday

1:00 p. m.—Mrs. Jack Denton will be hostess to the Ma Kocha Club at a luncheon.

8:00 p. m.—The Rebekah Lodge will hold the regular meeting at the I.O.O.F. Hall.

Wednesday

2:30 p. m.—Mrs. J. R. Russell will be hostess for the Wednesday Bridge Club.

2:30 p. m.—Members of the Sun-Border Bridge Club will meet with Mrs. Arthur Swain.

3:00 p. m.—The McAllen Study Club will meet with Mrs. H. E. Whigham.

Friday

2:30 p. m.—The Hoyt Hammond Industrial Club will meet with Mrs. Truman Bentley.

3:00 p. m.—Mrs. M. R. Nelson will be hostess to the Priscilla Club.

3:00 p. m.—Mrs. Henry Erdmann will be hostess for the meeting of the McAllen Child Study Club.

8:00 p. m.—Called meeting of the McAllen chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star preceded by dinner at the Casa de Palmas Hotel to honor Mrs. Frieda Bernhard, grand matron.

Visitor Is From Kansas**Mrs. Byrd Is Elected President**

SAN BENITO — Mrs. O. L. Byrd was elected president of the Woman's Culture Club at the meeting Wednesday held at Miller's Grill. Mrs. Byrd is first vice-president of the Valley Federation of Women's Clubs.

Other officers elected were Mrs. F. C. Williams, vice-president; Mrs. Paul Cowgill, recording secretary; Mrs. Harry Carroll, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Harry Carroll, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Floyd Worth, treasurer; Mrs. Frank Grimell, parliamentarian; and Mrs. Charles G. Todd, critic.

Covers were laid for twenty-two members. The table was decorated in yellow and green. Place cards were in a floral motif.

Mrs. Chas. Barber, president presided during the meeting.

Mrs. H. L. Winnell discussed "Local Taxes" and Mrs. Sweeney's paper was on "Changing Maps."

The Aurora Club met at the home of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson for a study on South America Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. R. J. Bohner, president was leader. She talked on sculpture and literature of this country and Mrs. H. C. Massey discussed paintings by South American artists.

The next meeting will be in the evening January 24th at the home of Mrs. Max Prater in Harlingen when officers will be elected.

Traveler

Bound for California, Mrs. Charles Reagan of McAllen, above, left Thursday for Los Angeles where she will spend the next ten days on business. This is the sixth trip Mrs. Reagan has made to the west coast in as many successive years.

Constitution Of La Feria Club Changed

LA FERIA — Members of the La Feria Garden club, meeting in regular monthly session, amended the club constitution and welcomed two new members.

The constitution was changed to include a corresponding secretary, and the members welcomed Mrs. A. L. Hamilton and Mrs. Ross Jones.

The club decided against participation in Rose Day because of the scarcity of cut flowers for sale.

Expressions of appreciation were extended Mrs. H. H. Clausen and Mrs. Holbert for the Christmas lighting arrangement for the clubhouse.

It was announced that the last of January and February were best adapted for rootings of bougainvillea.

Plans were made for an exhibit at the Valley fair, and it was announced there will be no count meeting in January.

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Triple L's Initiate Nine New Members

BROWNSVILLE — Members of the Triple L club initiated nine new members in hilarious rites Friday evening at Ye Olde College Inn.

The initiates, Misses Estrellita Lozano, Minnie Ramones, Bertha Chapman, Ofelia Ortiz, Orla Ortiz, Maria Teresa Trevino and Fidela Garcia, attended attired in extremely short skirts and wearing boys' shoes and socks. Their hair was worn Topsy-fashion in innumerable short braids all over their heads.

The rites at the College Inn were climaxed by the initiates being made to walk through the business district and into the city hall, in their initiation costumes.

Miss Oliva Pacheco is new president of the organization.

Society Calendar

BROWNSVILLE

Monday

Hope Chapter 124, OES, at 7:30 p. m. at the Masonic Temple.

Beta Sigma Phi at 8 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Thurman A. Kinder, Jr.

Episcopal Women's Auxiliary at 2:30 p. m. at the parish house of the Church of the Advent.

Presbyterian auxiliary at 3:30 p. m. at the church.

Methodist WMS in circles at 3 p. m. as follows: one, Mrs. Agnes Gibson; two, Mrs. Willie A. George; three, Mrs. George Walker; Lucy Rae, Mrs. William Harry Moore; Young Matrons, Mrs. Eugenia DeBois.

Tuesday

Brownsville Travel Club with Mrs. L. M. Neil.

Athenian club with Mrs. W. C. Wood.

Learners club with Mrs. E. B. Wortham at 3:30 p. m.

Tuesday Bridge Club with Mrs. Harvey E. Nuckles.

Benefit game party by winter visitors at the tourist headquarters.

Mardi Bridge Club with Mrs. Robert B. Ernst.

Tuesday Bridge with Mrs. A. M. Wyck.

Wednesday

Penny Supper at the Central Christian church.

Wednesday Evening Bridge Club with Mr. and Mrs. John F. Barron.

Wednesday Study club with Mrs. Robert B. Ernst.

Wednesday Bridge Club with Mrs. M. P. McNair.

Wednesday Tournament Bridge Club with Mrs. P. K. McNair.

Luncheon at noon at Landrum's and special joint meeting of San Benito and Hope Chapters, OES, at 1 p. m. at the Masonic Temple.

Thursday

Brownsville Study Club with Mrs. C. L. Nolan.

Junior Self-Culture Club with Mrs. George W. Putnegat.

Alpha Study Club with Mrs. R. A. Hightower at 9:30 a. m.

Merienda sponsored by the Altar Guild of the Church of the Advent between 3 and 6 p. m. at the J. T. Canales home, 505 St. Charles street.

Friday

V. F. W. Auxiliary at 7:30 p. m. at the hall.

Brownsville Garden Club at 10 a. m. at the Chamber of Commerce.

El Jardin Home Demonstration Club with Mrs. W. B. Mather.

School Participation In Parade Forms Discussion Topic

BROWNSVILLE — Discussion of the school's participation in the Charro Days parade occupied the members of the Victoria Ward Parent-Teacher association Thursday afternoon at the school.

Mrs. Harriet K. Wood presided in the absence of the president.

A delightful program was presented by the students in the rooms taught by Miss Ofelia de la Garza and Miss Elizabeth Washington.

The attendance prize went to Miss Washington's room.

Artist Surprised By Duplicate Of One of Own Designs

HAZELINGEN — At the luncheon honoring Dr. J. Gregory Conway and Mrs. Conway Thursday at the Reese-Wil-Mond Hotel, the well-known authority on flower arrangement was surprised to find a duplicate of one of his own arrangements making the table centerpiece. Mrs. Wm. L. Trammell duplicated one of the plates in his book, "Flowers—East, West," using one of his containers which she obtained during a visit to the west coast.

Covers were placed for twenty guests.

"Merienda" Set Thursday

BROWNSVILLE — One of the early Charro events will be the merienda sponsored by the Altar Guild of the Church of the Advent (Episcopal) at the home of Mrs. J. T. Canales, 505 St. Charles street Thursday afternoon.

The affair will be held between the hours of 3 and 6 o'clock in the afternoon, and the members of the household will be in Charro costume.

The refreshments will follow a Mexican theme also.

A cordial invitation to attend has been issued to everyone by the Guild, with a special invitation extended to winter visitors.

A silver spoon will be taken.

Robert E. Wagners Give Surprise Dinner for Daughter

BROWNSVILLE — Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Wagner entertained very delightfully Wednesday evening with a surprise dinner party, honoring their daughter, Miss Frances Elizabeth Wagner, on her birthday.

A centerpiece of spring flowers in which pink roses predominated was used on the table in the dining room.

Assisting Mrs. Wagner in entertaining was Mrs. O. King Mason.

Guests included eleven girl friends of the honoree.

Circle Gatherings Slated for Monday By Methodists

BROWNSVILLE — Circle meetings will be held Monday afternoon by members of the Women's Missionary society of the First Methodist church at three o'clock:

Circle one will meet with Mrs. Agnes Gibson at the W. R. Jones home; circle two, Mrs. Willie A. George; circle three, Mrs. Lucy Rae, Mrs. William Harry Moore; the young Matrons, Mrs. Eugene DuBois.

Mrs. Lee Giles Complimented With Surprise Shower

BROWNSVILLE — Mrs. Lee Giles of Denton was pleasantly surprised with a delightful shower at the home of Mrs. J. M. Bryant.

The home was prettily decorated with palms and poinsettias. About twenty guests attended.

Mrs. Giles and her daughter Maxine, have been visiting here in the home of her son, Edgar E. Giles and with friends.

Mrs. Giles leaves soon for her home in Denton.

Guests for Bridge

MERCEDES — Mrs. M. A. Borchart claimed high score honors Wednesday afternoon, when Mrs. Jesse Brothers entertained her bridge club. The games were followed by dainty refreshments. Others present were Mrs. Noe Sisk, Mrs. A. E. Krause, Mrs. L. R. Dornald, Mrs. George Rippert, Mrs. Jesse May, Mrs. Don Hamilton and Mrs. Herbert Drefke, the last a guest.

Dunkers Club Makes Plans For Gay Event

HARLINGEN — Plans for a barn dance and supper January 30 were made at the Thursday meeting of Dunkers Club, D. S., held at the home of Mrs. E. O. Matz. The business session was in charge of Miss Frances Payne, president, in the absence of Miss Florence Matz, vice president.

New members welcomed into the group were Miss Yettie DuBois, Mrs. Katie Henderson, and Miss Alice Oschner.

The club colors and name were cleverly depicted in the setting for the buffet table in the dining room where pleasing refreshments were served. The hand crocheted cloth was laid over yellow satin. A crystal bowl of yellow calendulas was flanked by gold tapers in holders of crystal, while purple cutout letters spelled the name of the club "Dunker." Yellow napkins with the code letters "DS" in the corner emphasized the club colors of purple and yellow. Doughnuts iced in purple and yellow were served and Mrs. Vassar Matz, the club's most recent bride, poured coffee.

Decoration in the living room stressed a double arrangement of bougainvillea on the mantel, the containers fashioned to represent a woman's head, spilling over with the purple blooms to give the effect of hair. Elsewhere about the room were vases of red roses.

Program leader at the meeting next week will be Mrs. Vassar Matz at the home of Mrs. Pearl Matz, 602 E. Madison.

Nasturtiums Make Colorful Decor For Buffet Supper

MCCALLUM — The many bright colors of nasturtiums were used as decorations when Mr. and Mrs. Eric Dube entertained a number of their friends at a buffet supper Thursday night at their home.

During the evening games of "42" and pinochle were played.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Merle Wood, Mr. and Mrs. George Gilstrap, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hixson and Mr. and Mrs. W. Ridderhof.

D. A. R. Chapter To Meet Wednesday

HARLINGEN — January luncheon meeting and program will be held by members of the Lieut. Thomas Barlow Chapter, N. S. D. A. R. Wednesday at 1 p. m. at the Reese-Wil-Mond hotel. Hostesses will be Mesdames Tyrone Brown, A. J. Pollard, J. B. Cocke, Russell Cherry, T. S. Herren and George Hosfeld.

Theme for the program to follow will be America's Bureaucratic Government with Mrs. C. M. Cash and Mrs. Ben Freudenstein as speakers.

Ohio Guests Named Honorees in Weslaco

WESLACO — Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Soether were hosts for lovely courtesy Wednesday, honoring Mr. and Mrs. W. Wirt, and Mrs. W. O. Huffman of North Baltimore, Ohio, guests in the Valley for the week.

The decorations for the luncheon were gorgeous arrangements of hydrangeas in shades of blue and pink.

Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rives, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Buss and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Soether.

GUESTS IN MERCEDES

MERCEDES — Recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Baumgart were Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Southward and two sons, James Orr and Weldon, of Rall, Texas.

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Officers Selected By Club

HARLINGEN — Officers for 1940-41 were elected at the meeting of the Study Club Thursday afternoon at the Woman's Building. Mrs. J. N. Crawford was re-elected president and several of the other officers were named for a second term.

The entire roster, submitted by the nominating committee and approved by the group, includes Mrs. Keith McCance, first vice president; Mrs. R. M. Loving, second vice president; Mrs. Stanley Bliss, recording secretary; Mrs. M. A. Childers, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Wm. L. Trammell, treasurer; Mrs. Paul Brown, historian; Mrs. Dan Murphy, press reporter; Mrs. J. C. Crosset, critic; and Mrs. F. T. Neary, parliamentarian.

Ballet, developed in the program, made the meeting one of the most informative and enjoyable of the club year.

History of the ballet was traced by Mrs. J. M. Green from its beginning in 1649 in Italy when it was performed only in courts through 1722 when dancers first abandoned masks. Since the last war the ballet capital shifted to London, she said, and has recently been changed to New York.

Mrs. Lloyd Thompson, discussing the ballet Russe, said it was first known to Europe in 1829. She explained the new form differs in that the whole body takes part, creating new steps that advance dramatic action. There are several ballet Russe troupes, she said, including the widely known Monte Carlo coming to Harlingen for a performance this spring.

The extraordinary life story of Nijinsky was related by Mrs. Stanley Bliss who said the dancer is to dancing what Bernhardt is to drama. His contributions to the art he followed, his exile because of departure from the prescribed costume, his sorrow and shock over the outbreak of the war, and the final decline of his mental powers made the biographical sketch assume the form of an emotional drama. Mrs. Bliss drew most of her material from "Romola," a book written by the dancer's wife to raise funds to keep him in a psychiatric hospital in Switzerland.

"Flight of the Swan" was a fascinating talk by Mrs. J. A. Alderice setting forth the amazing career of Pavlova. She developed especially her marvelous personality and described her debut in "Dance of the Swan" in the Metropolitan Opera. Her protege, Tumara Loumanova, known as the second Pavlova, is a member of the Monte Carlo troupe and will be seen in the Valley performance, Mrs. Alderice said.

Loans for the second semester of school will be made and new applications reviewed.

Payments of loans is especially gratifying, Mrs. Murray reported and the number of girls assisted in advancing their education by the fund has now reached a considerable number.

Oklahoma Visit Ended For Trio From Edcouch

EDCOUCH — Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Fraser and Tennie Frank Alexander returned over the weekend from Durant and Tishomingo, Okla., where they spent the holidays with relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. S. H. Culpepper and children returned the latter part of the week from San Antonio and Floresville where they spent several days with relatives.

Marjorie Bradley has returned to Houston after spending two weeks with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Rinehart.

Mrs. Lamm Hostess To Stocking Club

SAN BENITO — Mrs. Al Lamm was hostess to the Stocking Club at her home Thursday afternoon. Yellow flowers were used about the rooms.

A dessert course was served preceding the games of bridge. When playing ended Mrs. Ben Shoemaker held high.

Guests were Mrs. Arthur Moore, Mrs. Tol Boswell and Mrs. R. A. Ewing.

Members playing were Mesdames Fred Thomas, Flint Harris, Mary Anderson Foehner, Ben Shoemaker, Jack Ehlers.

La Feria T.E.L.'s Plan Special Meet

LA FERIA — Mrs. G. C. Todd conducted a questionnaire based on well known radio programs at the meeting of the T.E.L. Class of the First Baptist church Thursday. Mrs. A. W. Amthor, president, conducted the business period and Mrs. J. H. Mitchell presented model New Year's resolutions.

Mrs. N. A. Everett and Mrs. G. C. Robinson, hostesses, served refreshments to 17.

During the business meeting committees were appointed for the birthday luncheon the class will hold in February.

La Feria Club Slates Monday Gathering

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7 cu. ft. storage space. All porcelain. Sold for \$295. Take up 21 payments of \$7.98, plus 2 payments of \$7.98 and small repair charge, or will re-finance.

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FOR SALE: 210 chickens, 165 laying. Batteries and brooders. Excellent start for poultry business. Phone McAllen 682 for appointment.

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Blackner Pear Burners 8-inch Centrifugal Pump with 25 H.P. Fairbanks engine all fittings; 6-inch pump with fittings; 4-inch pump with motor attached. PHILLIPS HARDWARE San Benito

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16. REAL ESTATE 16. REAL ESTATE

16a Houses for Sale 16a Houses for Sale

Would You Buy

a modern 5-room house, well located in the City of Harlingen for \$1700.00. \$400.00 cash, the balance payable \$20.00 per month.

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New Brick Home — Ultra Modern - Gorgeous grounds, on Hi-way, 990 feet frontage. 30 acres fruit 40% of it oranges. All in perfect condition. You must see this to appreciate it. Prices and terms on application.

20 acre orchard 9-year old, New Modern House. This adjoins McAllen on the west. The price unbelievable—\$6500 half cash.

36 acre choice orchard near Mission. Good House. Orchard 40% oranges—all loaded with extra fine fruit. If bought by January 15th, fruit included. All for \$11,400—A great bargain.

16 acres near Mission—Half oranges—good house—with fruit at \$7,120—Just cannot beat it.

A Valley property of two duplexes that rent for \$30 per unit and never vacant. Grounds 150x150 landscaped. Also includes 6 room owners' residence. Wonderful condition. Duplexes and home furnished complete modern. The price for all—\$8,400—a fine home and living income for you.

ATTENTION

THE VALENCIA COURTS are for sale. This is the best BUSINESS in the Valley. Half cash, half on time.

An established going business in McAllen, and a good payer too. It can be bought for \$4500. Information only given to those meaning business. Curiosity not to be satisfied.

A fine business corner on Broadway 50x140. The best buy in McAllen at \$6,000.

Five 20 acre orchard, 3 miles N. W. Mission. Splendid set of improvements costing \$12,500. Whole property at 70% of cost of improvements. Wonderful for chickens too. See us about this.

Finest of homes and two acres adjoining Mission. Grounds the most beautiful with rare and exotic trees and shrubbery and the choicest of fruits. The price very low and a truly gentlemans home. Shown by appointment only.

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18i Land for Trade

OWNER WILL TRADE Missouri farm and property for Valley property. Give full description. Here two weeks. Box 204, Merced.

17. NOTICES 17d Travel Opportunities

YOUNG MAN who drove us to Valley wants ride to Kansas City. Would drive or share expense. Robert Finley, Tabor Courts, San Benito. Phone 8511.

McALLEN REYNOSA BUS LINE

McALLEN to REYNOSA

8:30 A.M. 2:00 p.m.

10:00 A.M. 4:00 P.M.

12:00 A.M. 6:00 P.M.

8:00 P.M. 8:00 P.M.

Saturday and Sunday 11:00 P.M.

REYNOSA to McALLEN

7:50 A.M. 1:00 P.M.

9:00 A.M. 3:00 P.M.

11:00 A.M. 5:00 P.M.

7:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M.

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19. LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The undersigned who has heretofore been doing business in the City of McAllen, Texas, at 101 South Main street, under the name of "Case Resendez," hereby notifies all persons concerned that on the 29th day of December, 1939, she sold all the stock, goods and merchandise, including fixtures, constituting said Ladies Ready-to-Wear Business, and also the good will, to Mr. M. Riskin of Eagle Pass, Texas.

10 acres good land in cultivation on pavement, close in. Just think! Only \$850.00 for all; only \$100.00 cash. Balanced easy. A good place to save your monthly earnings.

5 acres with good 3-room house, on pavement, close in. Lights, water, and telephone. Only \$950.00 for all, on terms.

10 acres, close in, about 4 acres good orchard. High sandy soil. All for \$100.00 cash.

Remember, folks—all we can do is to offer you these bargains; the rest is up to you. Buy real estate today from us if you will; if not, anyone. We are betting on higher values.

(Miss) Maria Resendez formerly doing business under the name of "Casa Resendez."

SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF CAMERON

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of a certain Execution issued on the Honorable County Court of Cameron County, Texas, on the 29th day of December, 1939, by H. D. Scott, Clerk, said Court, for the sum of Four Hundred Ninety-three and 95-100 (\$493.95) Dollars, with interest and costs of suit, under a Judgment, in favor of J. L. Parker, Receiver for H. D. Hardin, et al., cause in said Court, and filed and served on Mr. L. Parker, Receiver for H. H. Hardin vs.

David J. Young

placed in my hands for service, I. J. A. Gobbi, Sheriff, Cameron County, Texas, did on the 5th day of January, 1940, Levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Cameron County, Texas, described as follows: to-wit:

At the right, the land owned of the defendant David J. Young, and to Lot No. 6, in Block No. 64, of the City of Brownsville, Cameron County, Texas.

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Promising to extend the field 1,000 feet south without delay. Humble's No. 44 McGill, Starr County, 7,700 feet southeast of discovery, cored the field sand at 4,711-29 feet and cemented 5 1-2-inch o.d. casing at 4,719 feet. After casing was cemented at 4,718 feet, the well flowed from the lower 16 feet of the sand with 600 pounds tubing working pressure and 800 pounds closed-in casing pressure.

Pushing production into Starr County was Humble's No. 43 J. C. McGill, still in La Blanca Grant, parts of which lie in both Brooks and Starr counties, to become the field's 51st producer. The well gauged 139 barrels daily on 6-74 inch tubing choke with 675 pounds tubing working pressure and 1,000 pounds closed-in casing pressure and 1,000 pounds closed-in casing pressure from sand at 4,717-39 feet. Casing was cemented at 4,719 feet.

Pushing production into Starr County was Humble's No. 43 J. C. McGill, still in La Blanca Grant, parts of which lie in both Brooks and Starr counties. About 7,400 feet southeast of discovery, the well made 118 barrels daily on 7-64 inch tubing choke from sand cored at 4,711-34 feet. After casing was cemented at 4,718 feet, the well flowed from the lower 16 feet of the sand with 600 pounds tubing working pressure and 800 pounds closed-in casing pressure.

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Total depth was 4,827 feet and casing was cemented at 4,295 feet after sands at 1,223-29 feet and for the test. It was the field's fourth oiler.

Production Tests

Production tests of shallower

sands continued in the Davis and

Company No. A-2 Slick Estate, Survey 485, 2,400 feet southwest of the distillate discovery. The well made some distillate with 600 pounds gas pressure through quarter-inch chokes on testing tool on 15-minute drill stem test through casing perforations (20 shots) at 3,701-15 feet.

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Two Deep Wild Cats ENLIVEN OIL NEWS

McALLEN — Two 10,000-foot

oil wells in Hidalgo County, a "blind

spot" wildcat between the Sun and

Kelsey fields in northeastern Starr

County and a prospective new pro-

ducer in a north edge wildcat in the Barrocas area in central Starr

enlivened wildcatting in the Lower Rio Grande Valley Saturday.

About five miles south of McAl-

len on what is called the biggest

undrilled structure in Texas, Hum-

ble Oil and Gas Co. No. 1 T. J. Ogg, Jr., Block 12, Lot 5, Rio

Bravo Plantation Subd., was tak-

ing sidewall cores at 6,063 feet. The

well is scheduled to 10,000 feet and

operators are using one of the

heaviest rigs ever brought into the

Valley. Several hundred winter

tourists in the Valley, many of whom have never seen an oil rig drilling visit the rig each week.

About 3,500 feet northeast of the

discovery well and single producer

in the San Salvador distillate field

in central Hidalgo County, Gulf

States Oil Co. No. 1 Josefina Carde-

nadas is headed for 10,000 feet in

one of the most potentially dan-

gerous drilling areas in Texas. Loca-

tion, 660 feet from the north and

3,731 feet from the west lines of

Shara 156, San Salvador del Tule

Grant, is about six miles north and

TEXAS GLAMOUR GIRL SCORES TRIUMPH

'Texas Cavalcade' Shows Beauty Spots Of Valley

Capital And Arcadia Feature Thrilling Technicolor Film On Section

FACTS about Texas and the Valley that many thousands of Texans do not know and thousands more have never imagined are presented to motion picture audiences in the inspiring technicolor film "A Cavalcade of Texas," which is scheduled for showing Tuesday and Wednesday at both the Capitol Theatre in Brownsville and the Arcadia Theatre in Harlingen.

Produced originally by James A. Fitzpatrick, world-famed traveler and film producer for showing at the New York World's Fair, the picture is having its first exhibition in Interstate Theatres due to the failure of the state to complete its building in New York.

The Rio Grande Valley and Valley citrus groves are shown in the film and many Texas notables are introduced including Vice-President John N. Garner, James V. Allred, Governor W. Lee O'Daniel, Lieut. Gov. Coke Stevenson and Congressman Richard Kleburg, of the King Ranch.

During the fifty minutes of footage audiences will be carried by the magic of the film camera from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande Valley and from El Paso and the Big Bend country to the East Texas oil fields and lumber camps with dozens of visits to the leading cities, smaller towns, historic landmarks, beauties of the countryside, highways, and industrial centers.

"A Cavalcade of Texas" is booked as a special added attraction on the same program with "Tower of London" at the Capitol Theatre and with "We Are Not Alone" at the Arcadia Theatre.

JAMES STEWART STARRED IN NEW HIT

FADED WASHINGTON, Shrine of Democracy built of the spirit of a thousand patriots, mighty capital whose will shapes the destinies of main streets and dynasties. Out of its treasure of mystery and intrigue, romance and adventure, diplomacy and might, the genius of Frank Capra has brought to the screen the heart of America in the great American motion picture, "Mr. Smith Goes To Washington" starring James Stewart and Jean Arthur.

In the title role of Jefferson Smith, Stewart brings youthful charm, earnestness and idealism to the picture and bids for the Academy Award for the year. Jeff is the head of his state's Boy Rangers, and when a vacancy in the United States Senate has to be filled, his name comes to the attention of the ruling political forces who want the appointee to be a harmless and inexperienced tool.

Jeff goes to Washington unconscious of the fact that he is helping to betray the ideals he holds so dear. Miss Arthur, his secretary, is prone to scoff at him, but she falls in love with the human, honest youth. Little by little Jeff learns that he is being victimized. Climaxing scenes in "Mr. Smith Goes To Washington," flowing out of rich antecedent material, reveal Capra and his cast at their best. As Stewart revolts, the party machine fights back and the whole nation takes sides in a bitter fight to the finish. The picture rises to truly memorable heights.

Featured parts in the large cast present Claude Rains, Edward Arnold, Guy Kibbee, Eugene Pallette, Thomas Mitchell, Beulah Bondi, H. B. Warner, Astrid Allwyn and Ruth Donnelly.

"Mr. Smith Goes To Washington," is scheduled for showing Sunday and Monday at the State Theatre in Mercedes and at the Capitol Theatre in Brownsville, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

JOAN BENNETT SEEN A GLAMOUR GIRL

JOAN BENNETT is cast as a glamour girl in the hilarious new comedy romance, "The Housekeeper's Daughter," with Adolphe Menjou, John Hubbard and William Gargan in featured supporting roles.

The story concerns the mad and merry antics of a group of amateur and professional detectives who try to solve the mysterious murder of a Broadway play girl, in a swanky town house of a socially prominent family.

In this hilarious group, whose various members are working at cross purposes, are the beautiful and alluring housekeeper's daughter, two screwy newspapermen, a mob of zany gangsters and a psychopathic homicide. A news hound solves the murder after he has terrorized a gang of underworld hoodlums by shooting off firecrackers.

"The Housekeeper's Daughter" is scheduled for showing Thursday Friday and Saturday at the Palace Theatre in McAllen.

SWANEE RIVER FEATURES FOSTER MELODIES

THE FAMOUS melodies that are America's only real folk music, and the thrilling story of the man who wrote them, come to the screen in the screen's thrilling musical "Swanee River," co-starring Don Ameche and Andrea Leeds and Al Jolson in "Swanee River," scheduled for current showing Sunday and Monday at the Rivoli Theatre in San Benito.



Sonja Henie and Robert Cummings in "Everything Happens at Night," scheduled for showing Sunday and Monday at the Palace Theatre in McAllen; Tuesday and Wednesday at the Ritz Theatre in Weslaco and at the State Theatre in Mercedes, Thursday and Friday.



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Jack Dempsey's Big Fight Seen In Film

Jack Dempsey, the greatest of heavyweight champions and the fighter that never pulled a punch, comes to the screen for the first time in "The Birth of a Champion," showing Sunday and Monday at the Queen Theatre in Brownsville.

The actual films of Dempsey's bout with Jess Willard in July, 1919, at Toledo, Ohio, are shown in "The Birth of a Champion."

SONJA HENIE PLAYS DRAMATIC ROLE

BOTH story and acting performances are counted on in Sonja Henie's new starring picture "Everything Happens at Night," more than in any of her previous pictures. A completely different type of picture, the story is filled with love and laughter, and thrilling adventure.

Originally signed for pictures just for her skating genius, Miss Henie was asked to display no real acting talent in her first few pictures. But it was soon apparent that a real dramatic talent was possessed by the ice champion. Never, however, has Miss Henie had a part as demanding upon her new-found ability as in "Everything Happens at Night."

Highly important to the future screen career of Miss Henie was the assignment of Ray Milland, Robert Cummings and Alan Dinehart to feature supporting roles in her new picture. Although the picture is essentially dramatic, light comedy touches are injected when Milland and Cummings, as two rival reporters, fall for her and fight for her love as well as for one of the biggest stories of the day.

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JAMES HAMILTON NOVEL IS FILMED

PAUL MUNI plays a modern young doctor in his latest starring picture "We Are Not Alone," with Jane Bryan, Flora Robson, Una O'Connor and Raymond Severn in featured supporting roles.

The film which is based on James Hamilton's novel of the same title present Muni in the role of a country doctor in a small English town. His simple pleasures are his pipe, his violin and the occasional hour he has free to spend with his small son. Then into the even tenor of his days comes Leni, the little Austrian dancer, whom he snatches back from the death she has sought to inflict upon herself because she is friendless and alone. The two are drawn together by a strange fascination, a mutual need for understanding. With his wife's consent, he hires her as governess for the little boy.

"We Are Not Alone," is scheduled for showing Tuesday and Wednesday at both the Arcadia Theatre in Harlingen and the Palace Theatre in McAllen and at the Rivoli Theatre in San Benito Wednesday and Thursday.



Mary Martin (right) Texas' newest screen star a former Weatherford girl who has her first starring role in "The Great Victor Herbert." (Above) are scenes from the picture which also stars Allan Jones and Walter Connolly. "The Great Victor Herbert" is scheduled for current showing Sunday and Monday at both the Arcadia Theatre in Harlingen and the Capitol Theatre in Brownsville and at the Rivoli Theatre in San Benito, Friday and Saturday.



Mary Martin In Film Hit

Mary Martin, the little Texas girl whose songs and beauty won the heart of Broadway makes her screen debut co-starred with Allan Jones in "The Great Victor Herbert," with Walter Connolly, Lee Bowman and Susanna Foster in featured supporting roles.

Miss Martin's role in "The Great Victor Herbert" is a turn-of-the-century version of her own real-life experience. Born and raised in Weatherford, Texas, she was determined to become an actress from her early school days. She taught dancing school and saved enough to spend her summers in Hollywood, studying the latest routines.

However, Hollywood at first gave her nothing but inspiration, until a singing job at the smart Trocadero night club proved the magic key and an offer to appear in a Broadway musical comedy. Her success on the stage opening to her the gates of Hollywood stardom.

A romantic story told to the music of unforgettable melodies, "The Great Victor Herbert" is heralded as the most spectacular musical since "The Great Ziegfeld." Herbert's songs in the picture hold a place of prominence second only to that of the cast. With Jones and Miss Martin doing most of the singing, dozens of the master's best-loved numbers will be heard, among them such favorites as "A Kiss in the Dark," "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life," "Kiss Me Again" and "I'm Falling in Love With Someone."

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VALLEY SCREEN CALENDAR

CAPITOL THEATRE, BROWNSVILLE

SUNDAY, MONDAY: Mary Martin and Allan Jones in "The Great Victor Herbert" with Allan Jones, Lee Bowman and Judith Barrett.

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY: Boris Karloff and Basil Rathbone in "The Tower of London" with Ian Hunter, Nan Grey and Barbara O'Neill. Also "A Cavalcade of Texas" in Technicolor.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY: James Stewart and Jean Arthur in Frank Capra's "Mr. Smith Goes To Washington" with Edward Arnold and Guy Kibbee.

QUEEN THEATRE, BROWNSVILLE

SUNDAY, MONDAY: Frank Capra and Virginia Weidler in "Henry Goes Arizona" with Guy Kibbee and Ann Morris. Also Dempsey vs. Willard Fight Film.

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY: Gary Cooper and Ray Milland in "Beau Geste" with Susan Hayward.

THURSDAY ONLY: Wallace Berry and Chester Morris in "Thunder Afloat" with Virginia Grey.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY: Gene Autry and Smiley Burnette in "South of the Border" with Lupita Tovar and June Storey.

RIVOLI THEATRE, SAN BENITO

SUNDAY, MONDAY: Don Ameche and Andrea Leeds in "Swanee River" with Al Jolson, Fredric March and Guy Kibbee.

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RIALTO THEATRE, HARLINGEN

SUNDAY ONLY: Edward Ellis and Anita Louise in "Main Street Lawyer."

MONDAY, TUESDAY: Victor McLaglen and Sally Eilers in "Pain Confession" with Joseph Calef and Barry Fitzgerald.

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY: Hugh Herbert and Florence Rice in "Little Accident" with Baby Sandy and Jay Hodges.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY: Johnny Mack Brown and Bob Baker in "Chip of Flying U" with Fuzzy Knight and Doris Weston.

QUEEN THEATRE, MCALLEN

SUNDAY ONLY: Charles Bickford and Doris Nolan in "One Hour to Live" with John Litel.

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WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY: Lew Ayres and Slim Summerville in the uncensored version of "All Quiet on the Western Front" with Louis Wolheim.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY: Roy Rogers in "The Days of Jesse James" with George "Gabby" Hayes.

STRAND THEATRE, HARLINGEN

SUNDAY, MONDAY: Kenny Baker and Jean Colin Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado." Filmed in Technicolor.

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY: Betty Davis and Miriam Hopkins in "The Old Maid" with Jane Bryan, George Brent, and James Stephenson.

SATURDAY ONLY: "Caballo A Caballo" (Spanish Dialogue).

STATE THEATRE, MERCEDES

SUNDAY, MONDAY: James Stewart and Jean Arthur in Frank Capra's "Mr. Smith Goes To Washington" with Edward Arnold, Guy Kibbee and Claude Raines.

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Maze Of England's History In 'Tower'

The story of the complicated maze in English history of the middle-ages comes to the screen in "Tower of London" co-starring Basil Rathbone and Boris Karloff.

It is the story of the intrigue and family hatred rampant in England during the reign of Edward IV, and Rathbone has the role of Edward's scheming brother, Richard, who became Richard the Third after he killed Edward's small sons in the title tower.

"Tower of London" is scheduled for showing Tuesday and Wednesday at both the State Theatre in Mercedes and the Capitol Theatre in Brownsville and at the Ritz Theatre in Weslaco, Thursday and Friday.

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BELGIUM MOBILIZES TO MEET GERMANY

Cold Blasts Sweep Texas, Valley Gets Storm Warning

DUST STORM, SNOW, GALES HIT TEXAS

Light Norther Is Due In Valley

By The Associated Press
Gales, blizzards, dust storms and balmy temperatures was the weather mixture served Texans Saturday night, as frigid temperatures rode out of the Rocky Mountains on strong winds. Livestock warnings were issued for northwest Tex-

as. Just to add to the picture the weather bureau ordered storm warnings on the Texas coast from Port Arthur to Brownsville.

Gale Hits Odessa

Odessa reported a 62-mile gale struck the Permian Basin, starting temperatures skidding from a maximum of 54 degrees. Bus drivers reported the entire south plains area whipped by the gale. No damage was reported but visibility was two blocks as the year's first dust storm accompanied the high winds. A 50-mile wind lashed Pecos, bringing snow and sub-freezing temperatures.

From Amarillo came reports of a blizzard with snow, whipped by a 38-mile wind, covering the entire Panhandle. In the Stratford vicinity, north, several inches of snow fell with drifts as much as two feet deep. The temperature sagged to the low twenties early in the day and remained there. The snow was expected to end before morning but a mercury reading of as low as 14 was forecast with continuation of the strong winds.

A duster, carried on a 35-mile wind, blew into San Angelo and temperatures skidded from a maximum of 72. Colder was the forecast.

Big Spring also experienced a heavy duster and a 38-mile wind. Temperatures were dropping with the reading 41 at 6 o'clock. Several spans of electric light wires were down.

Snow At Lubbock
Snow and 16-degree temperatures were expected at Lubbock as a 25-mile wind whipped out of the northwest. It was 31 degrees there at 6 p.m. El Paso had a 38-mile wind this morning but it moderated during the day. Colder was the forecast there.

A light norther struck Plainview in the afternoon and there was a possibility of snow by morning. Temperature dropped from 43 to 27 at 3 p.m. but had risen one degree two hours later.

Snowflurries and a sharp north wind accompanied 24-degree weather at Borger. Wichita Falls had a duster riding on a 25-mile wind. The mercury was falling.

Austin reported a balmy 71 maximum during the day but awaited colder weather Sunday. Occasional rains also were forecast. At Galveston the forecast was for rain and colder weather Sunday, while Corpus Christi's promise was occasional thunderstorms.

A north wind carried the storm, a mixture of snow and sleet, southward into the Oklahoma Panhandle.

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Cabinet Quits

Japan Faces Crisis Over U. S. Pact

TOKYO—(AP)—The cabinet of Premier General Nobuyuki Abe resigned Sunday, in a decision closely connected with Japanese relations with the United States.

Japanese army and government leaders alike were exerting pressure on Prince Fumimaro Konoye, former premier and president of the privy council, to take over Abe's place. A number of political personages believed he would accept.

Abe's resignation had been expected for several days, following upon predictions that his government would fall if the United States declined to react favorably to Japan's proposals for renewing the lower Yangtze to third power trade. This was considered as an overtone to facilitate a new trade understanding with the United States when the present treaty is terminated—upon Washington's initiative—January 25.

Nuevo Laredo Police Hold Ship Deserter

MEXICO CITY—(AP)—Arrest in Nuevo Laredo of two deserters from the German passenger ship Orinoco now refugee in Tampico was announced Saturday night by the government. The men were returned to the vessel.

The Farmer's Daughter



Now shift your eyes slightly to the right and you'll see that The Farmer's Daughter, theme girl for the Valley Mid-Winter Fair, is pounding away on a float to be used by tourists in their Parade of States. It is estimated that over one thousand (count 'em) automobiles will be entered by Valley visitors in this unusual event.

Maybe It's Up To Lillie After All; Joe Stumped

Fair Officials Still Promise Rain For The Valley's Thirsty Farmlands

HARLINGEN—More philosophical about the business than at first when the introduction of an interloper was announced, Harlingen Bone-Club officials and Harlingen's Rainmaker, Joe Junkin, had cooled off Saturday, and "hoped" aloud that it would rain before January 23, opening date for the annual Valley Mid-Winter Fair here.

Junkin, at first furious at the announcement that the Fair would import Miss Little Stoate from Oxford, Miss., to bring Valley farmers rain, said Saturday that "it'll rain sometime, it always has," and seemed more jovial about the entire matter, as if he had an ace up his sleeve.

Can Hardly Wait

Miss Stoate, in letters to Fair Manager Sidne Kring, who thought up the idea in the first place, intimated she could hardly wait to put an appearance in the Valley, and that she was anxious to bring relief to this drought-stricken relief.

When asked why it had not rained after he boasted "it will rain within 24 hours," Junkin said a week ago that business had been too pressing for him to concentrate on the matter, but that he was developing a technique which would permit him to manage his business and sit on the bank of Lake Harlingen too. Junkin would not discuss his technique.

Very Unselfish

Kring said Saturday he and Fair Association officials still thought they were "mighty philanthropic" in bringing a rainmaker here to stop the car north of Buffalo where Crane was slugged and the other two released from their shackles in the back of the prison sedan.

Harrison Plan Dead, Conceded By Backers

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Supporters of the Harrison plan to create a joint congressional budget-making committee conceded Saturday that it was dead for this session, but Senate economy advocates made it clear they would wage a vigorous fight to prevent any increase in President Roosevelt's budget.

Almazan Is Seeking Rebellion, Foes Say

MEXICO CITY—(AP)—Leaders of the dominant revolutionary bloc of the Mexican congress Saturday initiated a movement that threatened to curb Mexico's press and charged that General Juan Andreu Almazan, leading anti-government presidential candidate, was trying to start a rebellion which would lead to intervention by the United States.

DR. MONTAGUE TRIAL OPENS IN EDINBURG

Humphrey Is Missing; Defense Ready

EDINBURG—The whereabouts of P. C. Humphrey, San Antonio salesman injured in a shooting last April 20 which took the life of Mrs. Velma Montague, remained a mystery here Saturday as preparations went forward for opening of the trial Monday of Dr. L. J. Montague, husband of the slain woman, who is charged with her death.

Plans of both state and defense counsel in the case likewise remained secret. Judge Bryce Ferguson in criminal district court will call the case at 9 a.m. Monday.

Whether Humphrey will be presented as a state's witness could not be learned.

Witnesses Called

Several witnesses have been subpoenaed for the trial.

District Attorney Tom Hartley will head the state's counsel, aided by Jack Ross and Truman Sanders, assistants on his staff.

Lieutenant Governor Coke R. Stevenson of Junction, who arrived in Edinburg last Thursday, will be chief of defense counsel. Other members are D. F. Strickland of Mission and State Senator Rogers Kelley of Edinburg. The staff represents one of the most prominent groups of attorneys to serve on a Valley case in years.

There was no indication from either side Saturday but that it would be ready to announce for trial.

A special venue of 200 has been summoned for the case.

The trial has been postponed once. Originally set for November 13, it was called off on that date but continued to January 15 because of the serious illness of Mrs. Stevenson at an upstate city. Since that time her condition has improved.

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Cameron County's Tax Collections Increase 16.6 Per Cent

GREAT GAIN IS SHOWN IN YEAR TOTALS

\$1,066,807 Taken In By R. T. Agar

BROWNSVILLE—A 16.6 per cent increase, \$106,070.02, in tax collections for districts represented by his office was indicated in figures for the calendar years of 1939 and 1938, released Saturday by Cameron County Tax Assessor-Collector Ralph T. Agar.

Collections totaling \$1,066,807.39 for 1939 were compared with 1938's total of \$960,737.37.

Collection of taxes current in 1939 totaled \$629,581.22, an increase of 34.7 per cent. \$182,183.46, over the 1938's \$467,387.78.

A drop was indicated in poll tax collections for 1939, only \$12,741.27 being taken in as compared to \$18,039.23 in 1938, county, state and congressional election year.

Occupation tax collections increased slightly, with \$828.54 collected in 1939 compared to \$792.82.

Beer-wine-liquor tax collections fell off for 1939, with \$8,677.44 collected for the year as compared with 1938's \$9,371.21.

Inheritance tax collections totaled \$5,320.64 in 1939. None was collected in 1938.

Delinquent tax collections fell off, with \$187,075.04 collected in 1939 as compared to \$247,848.81 for 1938.

Motor vehicle registration tax collections gained for 1939, with \$222,574.24 collected as compared to 1938's \$217,297.72. A check with County Auditor L. A. Bauer showed the county kept \$131,342.22 of the motor vehicle fees in 1939 as compared to \$123,450.43 in 1938.

Mr. Agar's figures included collection of taxes for state and county and for taxing districts consolidated with his office.

Delinquent tax collections for five-year periods are as follows: 1924 to 1929—\$278,759.12; 1929 to 1934—\$736,483.79; 1934 to 1939—\$1,186.38.

Re-assessment of delinquent taxes under the McKenzie opinion began in 1936, to aid collection of delinquent tax until it was halted December 31, 1939. During that period delinquent taxes totaling \$1,282,400 were re-assessed to total \$961,815.79.

Taxes several years delinquent received little reduction in "principal," Mr. Agar said, because penalty and interest on taxes delinquent in 1934 or before amounts to 35.2 per cent at present. Penalty and interest on taxes delinquent in 1935 amounts to 32 per cent; 1936, to 26 per cent; 1937, to 20 per cent; and in 1938, to 14 per cent.

"With many districts levying taxes each year based on anticipated collections, it is imperative some drastic action be taken to collect delinquent tax, to prevent the burden of taxation from being carried by those who pay taxes," Mr. Agar declared. In some districts the amount of delinquent tax exceeds the amount of debt.

Mr. Agar has proposed summary sales procedure for property on which tax is delinquent. "If possible to operate under section 15, article eight of the constitution, even though the legislature has not passed an enabling act, or under statutes enacted by the legislature in 1876."

County commissioners have invited officials of all taxing districts in the county to attend their meeting Wednesday, when it is expected John T. Smith, former state official and now a practicing attorney and editor of the Tax Journal, will discuss summary sales again.

"After delinquent taxes have been cleared from the record it will be necessary to reduce the bond debt in certain districts in order that the current tax may be collected," Mr. Agar declared.

Some districts have refinanced, or refunded, their bonds on the basis of present valuations and conditions. Others have not and are "working a hardship on those districts which have refinanced and are interested in paying off their just debt," Mr. Agar said. "The taxpayer, when he deems one tax unfair or unjust, refuses to pay any tax, realizing any tax delinquent constitutes a lien against his property."

Boneheads Help

Underpass Suggested To Judge Dancy

HARLINGEN—Officials of the Harlingen Bonehead Club, after hours of secret conferences here Saturday night, announced they would put a proposition to Cameron County Judge Oscar C. Dancy about the much-discussed parallel highway from Harlingen to San Benito.

"If Judge Dancy will come up here and stretch out straight this present highway he built so crooked," Big Bone Jack King explained. "We will agree to allow them to underpass both Harlingen and San Benito and come up in the middle of the Brownsville turning basin if they want to."

King said the Bonehead Club had agreed that if ships in the turning basin wanted to use the underpasses, they were at perfect liberty to do so.

One Victim Claimed By Hit-Run Driver

DALLAS—(AP)—A man tentatively identified by papers in his pocket as Luke Gordon Sparkman was injured Saturday night by a hit and run driver.

Police said the identity of the driver was known.

'Man Who Made Coolidge Smile' Now In Valley Painting Local Portraits

Pierre Tartou Is Byrd's Cousin; Visits Here

MISSION—Pierre Tartou, distinguished artist, known as "the man who made Coolidge smile," and widely noted as having painted more of the world's prominent persons than any other artist who ever lived, is spending several weeks in the Valley. With Mrs. R. Tartou, who is a cousin of Admiral Richard Byrd and Senator Harry Byrd, the artist has bought a citrus grove near Mission and eventually will build on it to live at least a part of each year in the Valley.

2 Valley Paintings

When his present work is finished, the artist will have added two Valley personalities to the amazing list of subjects he has painted—amazing in its length because of his comparative youth and amazing for one person to have met, let alone paint, the great list of notables who have sat for him.

Staying at the Bentzen Lodge at present, Mr. Tartou has been commissioned to paint Mrs. Elmer C. Bentzen, wife of one of the partners in the Bentzen Brothers firm, and Betty Bentzen, eight-year-old daughter of another brother, Lloyd Bentzen, and Mrs. Bentzen. Both portraits are nearing completion.

The artist has a portfolio which includes reproductions of some of the paintings he has made. The portfolio is filled with portraits of exquisite beauty—portraits of some of the most famous men, the most beautiful women and the most charming children in the world of today. To see them is like a visit to a famous art museum. In fact, the originals do hang in the best art galleries all over the world, and among collections of the best art authorities.

A partial list of the subjects



Pierre Tartou, Famed Artist

been stationed in the Valley during the 1918 border troubles.

Mr. Tartou has painted several members of the Du Font and Hutton families, innumerable state governors, and the presidents of three South American countries.

Among the many reviews of Mr. Tartou's work by eminent art critics of the world, most of them stress that he has an old master touch—a quality most certain to make the portraits those which no "vogue" will replace.

One critic told of Mr. Tartou having been offered and paid the

highest fees for commissions to do portraits than any artist ever received in his lifetime. He has received as much as \$30,000 for a single painting.

Possessing a charming and friendly personality, the artist believes the fact that artists are usually temperamental. Showing gaiety and wit and above all a friendly interest in those about him, Mr. Tartou reveals one secret of his success—a sympathetic understanding of his fellow man, which he is able to capture and transfer to the canvas.

Commercial arithmetic will replace the second year of algebra, which was concluded with mid-term examinations Friday.

Commercial arithmetic has not been offered in the school before.

LULACS FAVOR HOUSING WORK

Inclusion Of Rural Project Asked

BROWNSVILLE—Members of Brownsville Council Number Three of the League of United Latin American Citizens at a special meeting Saturday adopted a resolution asking inclusion of rural housing in the federal government's low rent housing program.

The resolution endorsed the program now under way in urban areas and declared its approval of passage of legislation to extend the benefits of public housing to rural areas of the nation.

A bill to include areas in the United States Housing Authority's scope passed the senate during the last session of congress and is now pending in the house of representatives. A project is to be sought for Cameron county.

Two additional members were named to the council's committee handling organization of a council-sponsored Boy Scout troop. I. Longoria and R. Duarte were named to work with present committee, Juan Tijerina, chairman, J. T. Canales and Joe Martinez, Jr.

With Reynaldo G. Garza as scoutmaster and Henry Bruyl as assistant scoutmaster, the troop already has begun meetings at the city hall each Friday, with 20 boys enrolled. The troop charter is to be applied for immediately, according to E. B. Duarte, president of the Brownsville Lulac council.

He plans to leave for Mexico City next week.

Sure, The Kenedy Highway Is Open! Tourist Drives Over Famous Road On Bicycle; Has Trouble With Fences

HARLINGEN—You can't tell Charles Tarnowski, Duluth, Minn. that the Kenedy county highway isn't already opened. He's driven over it—on a bicycle!

He arrived in Harlingen Saturday, possibly the first tourist to negotiate the famous highway. He plans to continue to Brownsville, meet another bicyclist traveler, and ride to Mexico City.

"The bridges are all completed, but very little work is now being done on the highway," he said Saturday. "The parts that are completed are excellent, being far wider than normal. I got onto the highway by mistake, not knowing that it was under construction. I had to lift my bike across a few fences to get through. I saw no wildlife, although I'm told there is plenty of game around there. But all I saw was a couple of dead rabbits. It's a lonesome ride."

Young Tarnowski, who has been engaged in ladies ready-to-wear work, in the U. S. lighthouse service on the Great Lakes, and in the wholesale grocery business, has been touring since last October. Only in recent weeks, though, has he abandoned his car for a bicycle.

He plans to leave for Mexico City next week.



CHARLES TARNOWSKI

HIGUERA GETS BORDER HELP

Matamoros Office Is Opened

MATAMOROS—Backers of Francisco A. Higuera Jimenez, who recently tossed his hat into the Tamaulipas state political ring as a 1940 gubernatorial candidate, Saturday had established a district office in Matamoros.

Higuera Jimenez is opposed at present by Magdaleno C. Aguilar, with agrarian backing, and Guillermo Shears, with backing of the Almazan party. The new candidate has semi-official backing of part of the agrarian and union groups.

The district office is at 825 General Manuel Gonzalez street. President at the office is Esteban Jara, with Arturo Villarreal as vice president, Marco Antonio Melendez B. and Professor Gilbert L. Diaz as secretaries and Dr. Pablo Balboa as secretary-treasurer.

ILLINOIS RESIDENTS VISIT

MCALLEN—Dr. Angelina Hamilton of Anna, Ill., Dr. Mary Steagall and Mrs. Mary Goss of Carbondale, Ill., have been McAllen guests for the past week. Mrs. Goss has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Sills and husband.

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OBITUARY

LOUIS B. WEED

McALLEN—Louis B. Weed, retired mining engineer, died at his home here on North 10th street Friday night. Born at Texarkana, Tex., he graduated from the University of Wisconsin. He was employed by the U. S. Steel Corporation and was general superintendent of their Colorado mines for 23 years.

He came to McAllen in 1930. He is survived by his wife, Gilberta.

The Christian Science service will be read by Lucius E. Leach at 4 p.m. Sunday at the Kreidler Funeral Chapel. Interment will be in the McAllen Cemetery. Pallbearers will be R. W. Shook, B. J. Madison, J. R. Ragland, A. M. Weir, E. A. Elliott and H. H. Herron.

MRS. LAURA WHITFIELD

HARLINGEN—Funeral services for Mrs. Laura Whitfield, 78, who died of burns at 2:05 a.m. Saturday, will be held at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the Stetler-Burdette chapel, with Rev. Paul Weiss of the First Methodist church officiating. Interment will be in Combes cemetery. Stetler-Burdette Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include the father, D. L. Wyrick; step-mother, Mrs. D. L. Wyrick; four brothers, Ira E. of Santa Rosa, Roy E. of Combes, Luther R. and Otha A. of Harlingen; and three sisters, Mrs. B. B. Turner, Queen City, Texas; Mrs. Howard Dumas, Combes, and Mrs. Archie Talley, Emerson, Ark.

Active pallbearers will be Earl Spencer of Santa Rosa, Ray Burns, Darrell Frizzell, Ray Lewis and

O'DANIEL SPEECH COPIES WILL TELL ABOUT VALLEY

McALLEN—Copies of the Jan. 7 broadcast in which Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel volubly praised the Lower Rio Grande Valley will be printed by the McAllen Chamber of Commerce for distribution as Valley advertising matter, Manager Paul T. Vickers announced Saturday.

The governor sent the chamber a copy of the speech and granted permission for its use in publicizing the Valley.

Persons or firms wishing copies printed for them must inform the chamber of the number desired not later than Monday so the order may go to the printers. Single copies or groups numbering no more than 12 will be handed out by the chamber free of charge. Large orders will be supplied at the actual cost of printing, Vickers said.

Jack Howel of Harlingen, and Robert Adams of Combes.

Honorary pallbearers are Buddy Foster of Combes, Bill Bell, Jack Funk, Norman Williams and J. T. Hipp of Harlingen, Floyd Huie of Rio Hondo and Sam Sparks of Santa Rosa.

Australia has enjoyed a favorable balance of trade every year since 1929.

SEBASTIAN TO STAGE PTA Mexican Supper

SEBASTIAN—A Mexican supper will be served by the Sebastian P-TA from five to seven next Friday at the Sebastian grammar school auditorium, it was announced by members Saturday. The menu is expected to include the usual favorites such as beans, tamales, Spanish rice, tacos, chili and coffee.

Domestic trouble was blamed by authorities for the shooting.

Frank Hadden of Mercedes

FRANK HADDEN Mercedes

PAUL GREENWOOD, attorney: "I think the parallel road is paramount. It would remove the traffic hazard, open a new trade territory for Harlingen and San Benito, and make a 'through shot' for the Hug-the-Coast highway when it is completed. Relief from traffic congestion out towards Four Corners would be very beneficial."

FRANK GRIMSELL, Harlingen feed and seed: "I would favor widening the present highway to San Benito. I would rather see the traffic go that way, and I think it would go that way anyhow. We ought to take care of what we have already got. There are arguments both ways."

E. HERTZ, Harlingen, millinery: "I favor a new road going down Harrison. A parallel road would bring more traffic through Harlingen. I would favor it's being routed through both Harlingen and San Benito, however."

H. E. DAY—It is easier to handle traffic on two roads than on one. But any parallel road should go to San Benito. There is no use in building highways that skirt any town. I'd rather see a parallel road first, then widenning."

A. C. PATE AND L. PATE—Above all things we don't want to see a road go around Harlingen. It hurts any town. We should at least have a cutoff into Harlingen if we get a parallel road. A widened road would answer our purpose for many years to come."

SCOTT BROWN—I think we should get the present road widened first, then go after the parallel highway."

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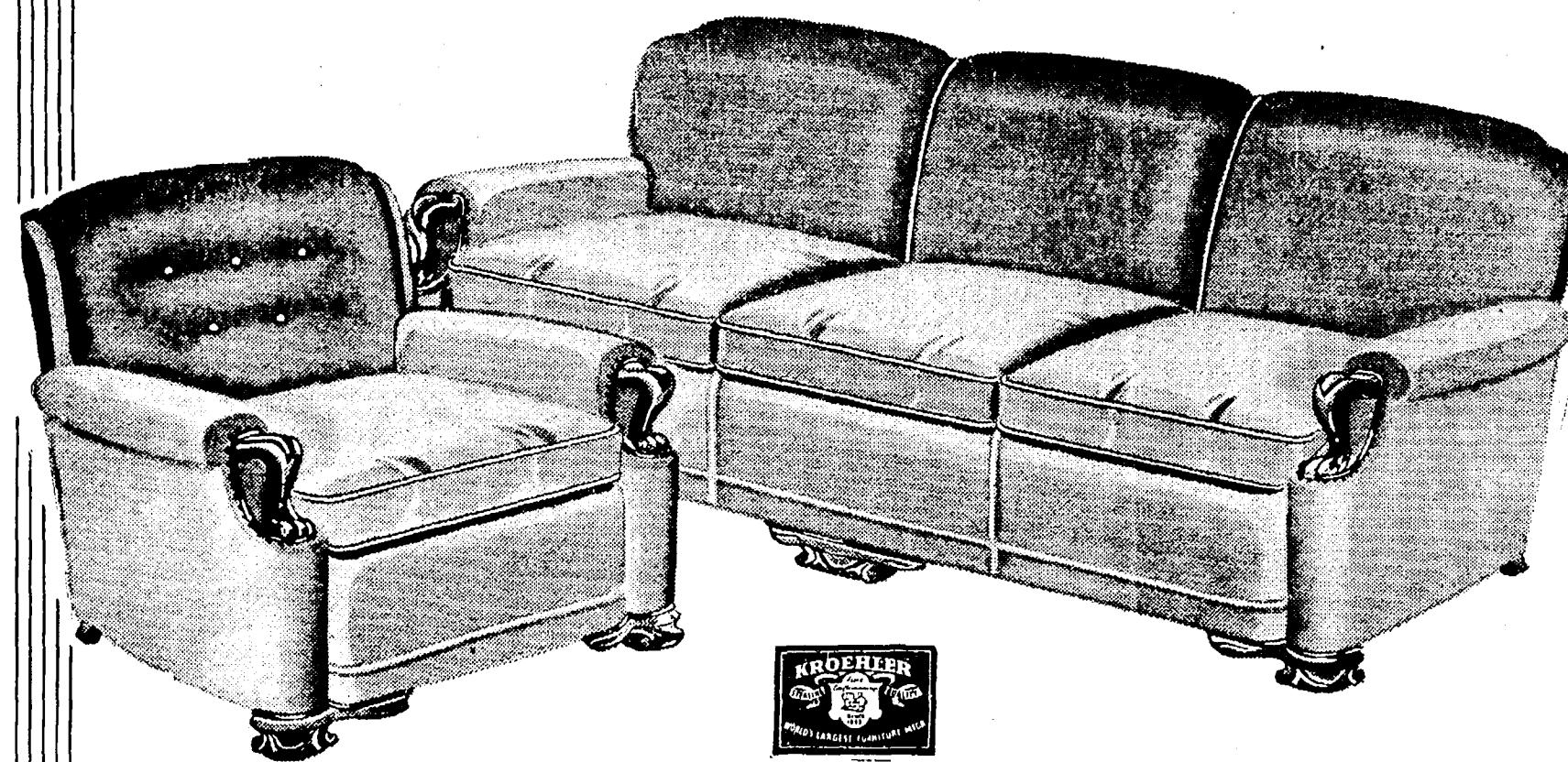
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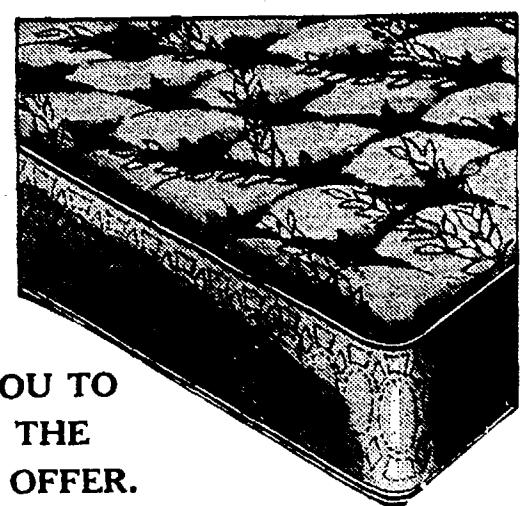
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'It's A Lie!'

Russians Deny German Officers Seeking To Train Red Army; Losses Minimized

MOSCOW—(AP)—The Soviet Russian army command declared Saturday night that "animal fear before the prospect of a military bloc between Germany and the U.S.S.R." had inspired what it described as reports that German military instructors were reorganizing the Red army. It said the report was a "stupid, extraordinary lie."

The long statement asserted also that only 900 Russian soldiers had lost their lives in the Finnish campaign and these casualties were "due rather than to the action of Finnish troops."

RITES SLATED FOR MINISTR

Rev. E. M. Todd Dies After Long Work



REV. E. M. TODD

HARLINGEN—Rev. Earle Marion Todd, 78, retired clergyman, former college president, and resident of the Valley for many years, died here Saturday at 4:25 a.m. after an illness of only a few days. He had lived near Harlingen since retiring from the ministry in 1920.

Rev. Todd was born October 17, 1863 at Vernon, Indiana. He attended Butler College at Indianapolis until the middle of his senior year, then took his A.B. degree at Garfield University in Wichita, Kan. He received his D.D. degree at Christian University in Canton, Mo., where for three years he was president. The university later became Culver-Stockton College, which name it now has.

He has served as pastor for numerous Christian churches, including those at McPherson, Kan.; University Church of Christ at Des Moines, Iowa; Chester, England; West London Tabernacle, London, England; North Tonawanda, New York; Manchester, New Hampshire; West Jefferson St. Church, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Canton, Mo. He was social service director and pastor at the community church at Leeland near Stuart Place in 1917-20, and in the early 1920's served for a time as pastor for the Christian church in San Benito.

During his tenure of office as president of what is now Culver-Stockton College, he completely reorganized the school in order to secure recognition from the state university. This required installation of thousands of books for the library and much expensive apparatus for the science department and appointment on the faculty of men of high scholastic attainment. During this period he travelled with "Men and Millions Movement of Disciples of Christ" and worked with Mr. Abe Corey and Mr. Raphael Miller to secure funds to aid the school. His name and activities are listed in Who's Who in America.

Oversight, produced by these activities, caused a breakdown and his coming to the Valley and subsequent retirement. When he was unable to take active part in the cultivation of his citrus orchard, he began to devote himself to writing. Several of his articles have been published in Christian Evangelist and The Scroll and other magazines. His last article is to be published shortly.

His only survivor is his sister, Miss M. Flora Todd of Harlingen. It has been requested there be no flowers for the services to be held at 3 p.m. Sunday at First Christian Church in San Benito. Rev. D. G. Wagner, assisted by Rev. W. S. Stauffer, will conduct the services.

GUN VICTIM WAS SUICIDE

Manzano, 90, Found Near Boca Chica

BROWNSVILLE—A verdict of suicide was returned in the shotgun death late Friday of Timoteo Manzano, 90, whom relatives found dead near his home on La Tlosa ranch between here and Boca Chica.

He was shot in the body with a single charge from a 16 gauge single-barrel shotgun. Deputy Sheriff Bob Smith said the gun apparently had been braced against a tree, the man then standing over the muzzle and pulling the trigger with a piece of cord.

Relatives residing nearby found him, and later recalled hearing a shot about 4 p.m. they had believed fired by a hawk, Smith said.

Judge Fred Recio, justice of the peace, returned the suicide verdict.

Manzano was born in 1850 in the old port of Bagdad below the Rio Grande, since destroyed. He came to the United States as a young man, residing in the San Antonio area, and moved to the Valley several years ago. He never married.

Survivors include a niece, Mrs. Clotilde Manzano de Paredes; three nephews, Ignacio, Eduardo and Diodoro Manzano, and many grand-nephews. Funeral arrangements are in charge of Delta Funeral Home.

NORTHER IS SLATED HERE

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New Mexico. Temperatures were well below freezing.

Highways Blocked

In western Kansas some highways were blocked by drifts. Telephone service was disrupted. The highway commission warned motorists to remain at home except in emergencies.

The storm moved down from the high Rocky Mountains, where snow up to 47 inches in depth was reported in some districts. Montana reported light snow and temperatures ranging down to 11 degrees below zero at Glendive.

In Iowa the storm contributed to the death of at least three persons in automobile-train crashes. All sections of the state, the highway patrol reported, lay under the fresh, white blanket which piled up into big mounds on roads and highways under stiff wind.

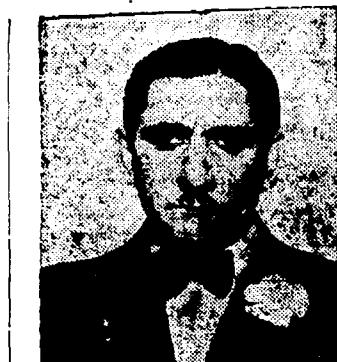
TO KINGSVILLE

EDINBURG—Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Klossner will leave Sunday to make their home in Kingsville. For a time they resided in Donna.

chip in to defray losses incurred by the fair through the downpours each day.

Even Robots Know Valley Climate Best

Gloomy Harris Here For Vacation



BROWNSVILLE—Even a robot who's never cracked a 1-10,000th part of a smile (on duty) knows the best place on earth to vacation.

In other words, R. H. "Gloomy" Harris, one of the only two show-window "mechanical men" in the world today, is back in the Valley for the eighth consecutive winter. He's going to stay through the Valley Mid-Winter Fair at Harlingen and Charro Days at Brownsville.

Euster Keaton of film fame was a "giggle" compared to "Gloomy" because a fractional smile (on duty) might cost him anything up to a seven-passenger luxury automobile. Prizes are offered for anyone who can make him smile, and those prizes are cliqued off his salary.

To date after 26 years, car-waggers, muggers, wise-crackers and Paul-and-Mike jestokers have drawn a double-blank in their efforts to collect via "Gloomy's" pan. Some of their stuff is pretty funny, too, he says, "but I can't grin my pay check away."

In action, he looks like a wax dummy and acts like a machine operating off eccentric cams. It's

Connally Sees 'No Difficulty' In Getting Texas Pension Aid

U. S. FINANCE IN JANUARY IS INDICATED

Officials Disagree On A Setup

WASHINGTON—(P)—Senator Connally (D-Tex) telegraphed Governor Lee O'Daniel Saturday there would be "no difficulty" about federal old age assistance payments to Texas for January, despite disagreement over a joint merit system council for the Texas unemployment compensation commission and the state welfare department.

No Joint Setup

Connally said he had discussed the question with Arthur J. Altmeier, chairman of the social security board, who told him the board disagreed with an opinion of the Texas attorney general that the two state agencies could not set up a joint council to examine and certify applicants for appointment in conformity with the board's regulations.

The board insisted, Connally said, that each of the two agencies still would make its own appointments if a joint board were created, "and that the merit requirements would only be a method of exercising the power of appointment."

If a joint merit council were undesirable, the board said, "it is clear that each agency may establish its own merit council and exercise its own power of appointment without requiring the concurrence of the other department."

Connally was advised by the board, he added, that as to the Texas unemployment compensation commission, the administrative expense resulting from merit council operations might be borne by the federal government. "Out of such funds stenographic and other clerical assistance available to both agencies for examination and certification would be supplied by the commission."

Service Without Pay

The board also suggested, he said, the possibility of securing as members of the merit council public spirited citizens who would serve without pay, since meetings probably would be held only twice a year to establish eligibility lists.

The same individuals might serve as separate merit councils for the two agencies, preparing separate lists.

FIESTA WILL END SUNDAY

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women's division with a score of 94 of a possible 100. Petre Ramirez of Melch and Company, Mission, was second with score of 91 and Marcella Rhine of Mission Citrus Association was third with score of 89.

In men's division, Ted Walden of McAllen Citrus Association was first with score of 94. Tony Wickliff of Burkhardt Fruit and Vegetable Company, Alamo, scored 81.3 for second honors and Waymon Robin of Edwards Fruit Company, Edinburg, scored 91 for third place.

Prizes of \$50 were offered in each division, with judging done by U. S. department of agriculture men. They scored 65 per cent for neatness in appearance of box and 35 per cent for speed. Walden was the only one who scored perfect 65 for neatness.

Citrus Exhibit

One of the outstanding features of the Fiesta was the exhibit of citrus and sub-tropical fruits entered by growers of the section. For the first time in several years, no cash awards were made. Instead, growers cooperated with the fiesta theme of glorifying citrus by contributing outstanding varieties of citrus to the displays. Ribbon awards for first, second and third places were made for every variety of citrus grown in the Valley.

John H. Shary was winner of the sweepstakes award, designated by a purple ribbon. Winning nine first place awards and a number of second and third, the "Father of the Valley citrus industry" repeated honors won in practically every citrus fiesta since the first celebration.

An unusual and enjoyable feature of the Fiesta was the antique and hobby show sponsored by the Colonel Henry Hill Chapter, D.A.R. Unusual collections of hobbyists and interesting and rare antiques form the display, which almost has the characteristics of a museum.

Saturday was a field day for photographers, candid camera fans, and amateur movie makers, as well as the news reel camera men who were in Mission to attend the Fiesta events.

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War Analysis Shows Past 5 Months Have Produced Only 'Unexpected Events'

STRONG LINES HAVE COME UP TO ALL HOPES

Other Developments Were Surprise

By KIRK L. SIMPSON

Associated Press Staff Writer
Nearly five months of war in Europe has produced only the unexpected—with one notable exception.

The French Maginot and the German Siegfried Lines have influenced the war exactly as neutral military opinion expected they would. They have stopped both German and Franco-British Allies from engaging in the bloody business of frontal attack.

Just A Mockery

On every other front of that war, and in the Russo-Finnish conflict, actual events have made a mockery of predictions.

Poland collapsed in days under a terrific German thrust. That not only wrecked hopes of the Franco-British allies that Poland could hold out until aid could reach her, directly or indirectly, but shattered Franco-British post-war security dreams.

The whole conception of peace in Europe founded on "buffer state" encirclement of Germany went down with Poland. The keystone of the treaty of Versailles peace arch erected by the World War allies failed. Whatever the outcome of the war, it will be a new Europe and a new peace technique that the world sees in operation there if European civilization survives the blow of war.

Germany's ruthless smash in Poland was as unexpected in highest French, British and, most of all, Polish officialdom as was Russia's latter attack on Finland.

The Finns, however, had learned a lesson. They made ready for any eventuality, even as they sought to talk themselves out of danger. And they added another to the list of wonders of the world when they turned on their Russian foe and smashed Red army divisions.

Stunning Sea Chapter

Defeat of the vaunted Nazi "pocket battleship" Graf Spee by a trio of British cruisers, outmatched in everything but speed, wrote another stunning chapter of the improbable come true. To cap it, and against every tradition of sea warfare, the Spee's captain took first the life of his ship by Hitler order, then his own.

A dozen other war incidents could be cited on the positive side to prove the rule that only the unexpected is probable. Even more supporting, however, is the record on the negative side, of things of horror that have not taken place yet.

At the onset of the war, and with the air filled with far echoes of Nazi air bombs in Poland all the cities in the belligerent countries cowered under the nightly "blackouts" in anticipation of a rain of death from the skies. Millions of non-combatant civilians carried on in hourly expectation of air terrorism.

It has not come. The expected and world-dreaded supreme horror of modern war has not been realized.

No "World War"

Nor has the world-wide dread that war in Europe must mean a new world war become reality. Events may be shaping along the shores of the Baltic or in the Balkans to engulf more nations in the war whirlpool, yet so far all belligerents are strictly avoiding steps that might widen the battle theater.

Against that background, renewed predictions in England of an impending ruthless German air onslaught, forecast by widening Nazi air scouting forces, lose some of their force. Similarly, the forebodings of French military observers that Hitler rendered desperate by the choking effect of the Allied sea siege, will order his legions to the charge in spring against the Maginot line, may be discounted.

Against that background, also, might be displayed the one, outstandingly discernible improbability of the near future which spiritual and neutral temporal leaders are prayerfully weighing—peace. If the unexpected is the rule in this war, early peace would be its greatest boon to humanity.

2 Streamliners

Southern Pacific To Add To Service

HOUSTON—The Southern Pacific Railroad has placed two new, 14-car Streamliners Daylight in service between Los Angeles and San Francisco, replacing the famed Streamliners Daylight, J. T. Monroe, passenger traffic manager announced. The streamliners sail on daily daylight schedules in each direction with public address systems reaching every car in each train so that railroad representatives can describe points of interest.

Latest developments in air-conditioning have been applied. Fluorescent lighting is used throughout, and dining car service has new triple articulated unit, one being coffee shop seating 80 people, the third unit being dining car seating 72 people, and second or middle unit being the kitchen serving both coffee shop and diner. It is the largest dining car in America. Electric water coolers are installed equipped with compartments in which mothers may place bottled milk and other food preparations for their little ones.

The transcontinental Argonaut, New Orleans to Los Angeles, via Houston, San Antonio and El Paso, makes direct connection with the Streamliners Daylight for San Francisco.

ARMED BANDITS RAID BRUSH COURT INJUSTICE SAM PERL IS HOG-TIED



Bertram Combe is shown above reaching over to seize a six shooter from the hand of James L. Abney, preventing the Klondike chief from administering a "lazo de gracia" to Chief Injustice Sam Perl, who is tied to a post. Mr. Combe's heroic act was the climax to a raid of Klondike "bandits" Friday afternoon on the Court of the Grand Brush when their leader faced trial for not trimming his Charro Days beard.

By A. D. HAWKINS

BROWNSVILLE — A reward of one peso was offered Saturday by Chief Injustice Sam Perl of the Court of the Grand Brush for information leading to the arrest and conviction of bearded Klondike "bandits" who raided his courtroom Friday afternoon here.

The Brush Court was thrown into turmoil, and its officials temporarily held in custody by the bandits, in the midst of the trial of James L. Abney, Klondike leader, charged with failure to trim his Charro Days beard.

Dressed in Latin American peon costume, and armed with rifles and pistols of the Civil war era, the "bandits" quickly took possession of the Brush court.

The shooting of fireworks, and roar of miniature torpedoes, nearly panicked the crowd of 200 spectators.

Chief Injustice Perl was taken to the vicinity of the El Jardin hotel where he was bound to a post, while associate injustices were held nearby. Some of the court officials fled.

Lulac's Paper Lauds Valley, Charro Days

BROWNSVILLE — Brownsville and the Valley got a double-barreled boost as the December issue of Lulac News plays up Charro Days and invites the League of United Latin-American Citizens' 1941 convention to Brownsville.

The December issue of the national magazine, sponsored by Brownsville Council Number Three

PENNY POST ISSUED AGAIN

Card-Size Publication Makes Its Return

BROWNSVILLE — The Valley's smallest "newspaper," Advent's Penny Post, was back in circulation Saturday with the Rev. Penrose W. Hirst, rector of the Church of the Advent, again at the editorial helm.

Advent's Penny Post is a two-column "newspaper" with a masthead and all the trimmings, printed on the back of a penny postcard.

Back in its heyday, before it ceased publication in the autumn of 1933 because of financial difficulties, Advent's Penny Post had a circulation in the hundreds extending from California to New York.

Episcopians, who left Brownsville for different sections of the United States, subscribed to it as did friends of the rector throughout the nation.

Like many newspapers, Advent's Penny Post has its financial difficulties, however; Editor Hirst remarked with a laugh Saturday.

Editor Hirst, incidentally, often had been referred to by Sheriff Bishop, Sr., as "the man who can squeeze more words on a penny postcard than anyone I know." Advent's Penny Post is printed by Bishop's Print Shop.

"The newspaper" made its reappearance here to impress upon the parish the importance of the annual Church of the Advent parish meeting Sunday at 4 p.m.

Academy President Speaks At Donna

DONNA — Dr. Brooks McClain, president of the Tex-Mex Academy of Kingsville, for Latin-American boys, drew a vivid picture of his work for the monthly dinner of the Men's Fellowship of the Donna Presbyterian church that took place in the church parlors Tuesday evening.

Cantu, a native of Nuevo Laredo, Tamps., had been stationed in the general's office in Guatemala, Central America, as chancellor.

NEWLY WEDS HONORED

MERCEDES — Mercedes Lions at their Wednesday luncheon meeting introduced Mrs. Bill Dickman and Mrs. Bill Dudley as guests of honor. The honor guests were recently married to Lions Dickman and Dudley. The group were presented attractive gifts.

MRS. THOMAS BETTER LA FERIA — Mrs. R. J. Thomas, who has been ill with the flu for the past two weeks, is much improved.

ALIENS GET 90 DAYS EACH

Twelve Plead Guilty In Brownsville

BROWNSVILLE — Twelve defendants, pleading guilty to first immigration offenses here, received suspended sentences of 90 days each at a one-day special session Saturday of United States district court, presided over by Judge William H. Atwell of Dallas.

Six alleged second immigration offenders were meted sentences varying from 90 days suspended to a year and one day at La Tuna, however.

Judge Atwell also denied a motion for new trial in the case of Santa Rosa, Inc., versus R. T. Norman.

Judgment had been rendered in favor of the plaintiff at the December term of court canceling a deed from Santa Rosa, Inc., to Mr. Norman for 641.32 acres in Willacy county.

Receiving 90-day suspended sentences for first illegal entries here from Mexico were: Francisco Espinoza, Enrique Falcon, Amanda Gonzalez, Manuel Gonzalez, Alejo Lopez, Santos Lopez, Juan Perez, Isabel Rodriguez, Onesimo Salinas, Juan Solis, Aniceto Trevino and Castulo Zuniga.

Second offenders were sentenced as follows: Elias Silva, 100 days in jail; Jose Mares, 14 months at La Tuna; Francisco Licon, 90 days suspended; Pedro Hernandez, 115 days in jail to run concurrent with a previous suspended sentence of 60 days.

Also, Ignacio Cantu, 100 days to run concurrent with a 60-day suspended sentence, and Monica Quintero, one year and one day in La Tuna.

Sunday School Now Takes Place Of Old Revivals, Is Said

DALLAS — (P) — The Sunday school has replaced the old-time camp meeting as the main evangelical instrument of the modern church. Dr. J. Howard Williams, president of the Baptist general convention of Texas, said recently,

The Amarillo pastor spoke at a state-wide training conference for Sunday school workers. Texas Baptists have closed one five-year plan that gave them 70,000 new students and began another that will carry them into the Baptist centennial year of 1945.

Despite the turbulence of the trial, there was one keynote of peace. That was the lilting singing of pretty Miss Mary Koenigsberg, who was accompanied by Mike Moran and Edward Lucio.

The trial was scarcely under way when the raid commenced. Estimates of the number of "banditos" averaged about 20. Chief Injustice Perl said there were 100.

The raid climaxed charges by Mr. Abney that the jury had been "fixed." The jurymen were: Homer Fitch, foreman; George Leonard, H. W. Richards, W. W. Trapp, R. L. Good, S. Bennett, Thad Hoot, L. P. Gatti, A. B. Westerbrook, H. L. Bazzle, B. E. Kioblaas and Joe Vivier, Jr.

Rep. Kleberg said he learned from appropriations sub-committee members that they felt the amount was anappropriately placed in the "yards and dock" category and could be taken up more properly in the regular navy department bill later.

July 4th was the date of death for three American presidents—John Adams, Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe.

Eckhoff is chairman of a paving committee of the McAllen Lions Club, to work for completion of the paving on North Main street.

CAMERA CLUB PLANNED EDINBURG — Dr. L. M. Southwick, Peyton Weaver, R. W. Montgomery and R. D. Snowball were in Weslaco on Friday to assist in the organization of a Weslaco Camera Club. Jessie Jones was named temporary chairman and Mrs. W. L. Hall, secretary.

Farm Credit Unit Now Under Wallace

WASHINGTON — (P) — Secretary Wallace took direct control of the Farm Credit Administration Wednesday and instructed its officials to find ways of re-establishing delinquent borrowers on a "sound basis" that would "maintain the integrity" of the federal land bank system.

Former governor F. F. Hill of the FCA suspended foreclosures on delinquent farm mortgages last fall. Extension and delinquent installments on loans and other items due from borrowers totaled \$13,477,000 September 30.

An article by E. Duarte, president of the Brownsville council, is devoted to the public schools of Cameron county.

Port Airways Lauded

Describing the Valley as the "gateway of the Americas," another article is devoted to the Brownsville airport where planes "leave for all points of the compass."

An article by Judge Canales, named by the magazine editorial staff as "one of the most outstanding leaders of our league," compliments E. D. Salinas, president general of the organization, of his accomplishments since election at the national convention in San Antonio last June.

Designated the "fastest growing seaport on the Texas coast," the Port of Brownsville, "the Rio Grande Valley's gateway to the seven seas," is the subject of an article describing its facilities and the harbor improvement program under way at present, as well as the shipping lines and the ports to which they reach.

Seek '41 Convention

Kenneth Faxon, general chairman of the Charro Days Fiesta, is author of an article summarizing events of the 1939 celebration.

Also in the December issue of the Lulac News are the minutes of the first meeting of San Benito Council Number 96, held at that city December 3.

With the 1940 national convention to be held in Santa Fe, N. M., in June, the Brownsville Lulac council has been since the 1939 convention boasting Brownsville as convention city for 1941.

The "newspaper" made its re-appearance here to impress upon the parish the importance of the annual Church of the Advent parish meeting Sunday at 4 p.m.

Busses Must Pay Registering Fees

AUSTIN — (P) — Buses owned and operated by the city of San Angelo are not exempt from payment of state motor vehicle registration fees, Attorney General Gerald C. Mann ruled Friday. The passenger busses charge a five-cent fare.

McAllen Consulate Awaits New Officer

MCALLEN — Arturo Garza Cantu, new chancellor at the office of Consul Lauro Izaguirre, arrives here this week to assume his duties.

Cantu, a native of Nuevo Laredo, Tamps., had been stationed in the general's office in Guatemala, Central America, as chancellor.

NEWLY WEDS HONORED

MERCEDES — Mercedes Lions at their Wednesday luncheon meeting introduced Mrs. Bill Dickman and Mrs. Bill Dudley as guests of honor. The honor guests were recently married to Lions Dickman and Dudley. The group were presented attractive gifts.

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Sunday, January 14, 1940

POTATO CROP YIELD TOTALS 400 BUSHELS

**Friend Shows System
To Aid Farmers**

WESLACO—Three hundred farmers from Hidalgo, Cameron, and Willacy counties were told here Friday that they can grow potatoes which yield as high as 400 bushels per acre if they will apply simple methods of cultivation. The average yield in the Valley is now 100 to 150 bushels per acre.

The increased production was demonstrated by W. H. Friend, superintendent of the Valley Experiment Station, who dug a quantity of Katahdin type white potatoes with which he has been experimenting this winter.

Planted In September

The spuds were planted at the experiment station September 29, at a rate of about 40 bushels of whole potatoes per acre. The potatoes were not cut into pieces, as is one practice in the Valley, and Friend credited the heavy yield in part to this system. He further explained that heavy fertilization was not needed, declaring that for all its experiments the station here in 15 years of activity has probably not used an average of 100 pounds of fertilizer per acre per year.

Friend did stress, however, the need of using cover crops such as sorghum and cowpeas, which are plowed under to enrich the soil and enable it to retain its fertility. The superintendent has been urging such cover crop use in the Valley for years, but thus far it has not been widely adopted.

Also demonstrated was a crop of red Bliss Triumph potatoes, whose yield at the experimental farm was about 300 bushels per acre through use of cover crops and a small amount of fertilizer. This is about twice the average for ordinary fields in the Valley.

Suggests White Type

Friend recommended use of the white potato, which appears to flourish in Valley soil. He expressed the belief the Valley has great possibilities for growing white potatoes during the winter season.

Attendance at the demonstration was the best such an event has experienced in many months, according to a number of farm leaders who attended. R. G. Burwell of Edinburgh, Hidalgo county farm agent, praised what he termed increasing interest in such demonstrations and the value they hold in the work of instruction Valley farmers in profitable practices.

"Mr. Friend has not done anything with his experimental potato crops at the station that cannot be duplicated by the average farmer if that farmer will apply himself," said Burwell.

Grimm Meeting

**Revival Will Open
In McAllen**

McALLEN—B. B. Grimm, well known East Texas evangelist, will open his scheduled revival meeting in McAllen Sunday night under a huge tent whose erection was completed the past week.

Grimm plans to continue the meeting for at least four weeks. He conducted a similar campaign here several years ago that attracted large crowds. While no local church is sponsoring the meeting this season, several local churches have announced they will dismiss Sunday night services to join with the Grimm meeting. Services will be held each night under the tent.

Location of the tent is at the corner of Twelfth Street and Beech Avenue, two blocks from the business district.

**Bledsoe, Packer
Sponsoring Novel
Display At Fair**

HARLINGEN—Ralph Bledsoe and Claire Packer are building a novel display in the Exhibit Building at the Mid-Winter Fair grounds.

The exhibit will be in two sections, with one part showing the Arroyo Colorado with water flowing down the stream and carrying boats, while the other is a highway scene, traversing Valley towns.

**Credit Group Holds
Meet To Name Heads**

HARLINGEN—Sixth annual stockholders meeting of the Valley Production Credit Association will be held Monday beginning at 1 p.m. at the Woman's Building in Harlingen. It was announced here Saturday. Robert Ray of Lyford, president of the board, will preside.

Election of new directors and report of the past year's activities will be high points of Monday's meeting. Ray is urging all stockholders to attend the important meeting. The association has some 300 stockholders.

\$10,000 Project

**McAllen Ford Plant
Will Enlarge**

McALLEN—Construction of the \$10,000 addition to the Boggus Motor Sales garage here will get under way within the next 10 days, Clyde Hollon, manager, announced Saturday.

The addition to the service department of the garage will be located at the south end of the present building. The new construction will add space 100 feet long and 80 feet wide. Hollon said.

Expansion of the McAllen garage was caused by an increase in business, the manager said, and a desire to give patrons the best service possible.

Conrad Thibaut, Protege Of Coolidge Appears In Concert Here January 18

**Noted Baritone Is To
Give Recital
In Valley**

HARLINGEN—Protege of an ex-president floor walker in a department store, nationally famous radio star—these are some of the highlights in the life of Conrad Thibaut, American baritone who is coming here for a recital on January 18 at Municipal Auditorium.

It was Calvin Coolidge who encouraged Thibaut, then in his teens, to try out for a scholarship at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia. The ex-president and Mrs. Coolidge heard him singing in a church choir in Northampton and sought him out after service. They complimented him on his voice and urged him to train for a professional career. Later Mr. Coolidge was instrumental in arranging for him to try for a Curtis scholarship. Young Thibaut won the scholarship and was able to coach with the famous baritone Emilio de Gogorza.

His scholarship course ended, Thibaut went to New York fired with ambition to start his career. But he soon learned that vocal fame is an elusive goal. While he tried for a year to make the grade in Manhattan, he worked during the days as a floor walker in a department store. Finally, somewhat disheartened, he returned to Northampton and landed a job singing with a dance orchestra. But Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge had not forgotten their young protege even though those months of struggle in New York he had been too proud to appeal to them to use their influence in his behalf. Mr. Coolidge together with the choirmaster of the church was instrumental in sending the boy back to Philadelphia for further study, which resulted in his being given a contract by the Philadelphia Grand Opera Company. At first he had inconsequential roles or even sang in the chorus. His big chance came one night when the leading baritone became ill only an hour or so before he was scheduled to appear. The management sought frantically for a substitute. Finally in desperation they took Thibaut, who happened to know the part, out of the chorus and with grave misgivings let him go in the stellar role. The young baritone received such an ovation that he was immediately assigned to sing another performance of the same opera. Other important roles followed.

Thibaut also began singing over a local Philadelphia radio station. There he attracted the attention of a National Broadcasting Company talent scout who brought him to New York. Soon he was being heard on many of the most important and remunerative commercial programs. He is now regarded as one of the outstanding broadcasting baritones.

McALLEN—The McAllen American Legion Post's memorial park at Hidalgo remained unnamed Saturday while members requested the state highway commission to rescind their order that a Legion park be named after a soldier who died in battle during the World War.

Known since its institution as "Utzman Park," it became necessary that a new name be obtained when the commission requested that parks be named for a soldier who died while fighting. According to Post Adjutant Cecil J. Thompson, there were no McAllen men killed in service. Bolton Hyde was authorized to make the request from the highway commission at the post meeting Friday night.

Thompson said preliminary discussion of plans for the annual Fourth of July celebration was held, on which definite announcements will be made at future meetings.



Conrad Thibaut, In Valley Concert.

McAllen Plant To Process Mexican Pineapple Soon

McALLEN—Grapefruit juice canning operations were underway today at the Christensen, Inc. cannery in McAllen where a 72,000-case pack of beans has just been completed.

E. H. Carlton, vice president and manager of the plant said the firm planned to run 750,000 cases of grapefruit juice this season, in No. 2 and 46-ounce cans. Carlton also announced that Steve Parish, long-time McAllen resident, has joined the plant as field man, purchasing grapefruit and vegetables.

The McAllen Christensen plant will employ an average of 35 persons with a weekly payroll approximating \$1,000, Carlton said. The cannery will be in operation from nine to 10 months a year, handling grapefruit, beans, tomatoes and pineapples.

One of the largest processing plants in the Valley, \$10,000 was spent recently on additions and new machinery, which was already well equipped with modern processing fixtures.

Carlton said the firm expected to meet with good success in canning pineapples juice. The pineapples will come from a point 200 miles south of Tampico, Mexico. They will be shipped by rail to Reynosa and trucked to McAllen.

The Mexican pineapples are superior to the Hawaiian product because crops are rotated in the southern republic, the manager asserted. "The same land is used year after year in Hawaii; hence the quality is not as good."

The recent bean pack was very successful, said Carlton, "as high a quality as ever packed in the Southwest." The markets stiffened last week and the pack generally met with favorable conditions.

"I believe the canning industry in the Valley will reach enormous proportions," the manager declared. "The development and use of canned goods has doubled in the last 10 years."

Carlton came to McAllen from Fort Worth, where he was head of the "M" system of grocery stores. The McAllen plant was purchased some time ago from S. L. Miller and the City State Bank and Trust Company.

Permits Soar

**Mercedes Building Is
\$43,00 In 1939**

MERCEDES—Building permits in the City of Mercedes approximated \$43,000 for the year, according to Building Inspector Art Bell. Among the list of buildings were the following new structures and the cost of their construction: Dr. M. R. Laeder, home, \$4,000; C. A. Ripley, home, \$6,000; James A. Smith, home, \$5,000; remodeling Lang home, \$1,200; addition to Brown and Williams produce shed, \$2,000; two shipping sheds for C. A. Ripley and Logan-Paxton, \$14,000.

The remainder of the total including remodeling and building smaller houses and buildings. Several new homes are being planned for this year, and permits for 1940 are expected to at least equal those of the past year.

WOMAN'S SISTER INJURED

McALLEN—Mrs. Frank Kremenski of McAllen left Saturday for San Antonio following receipt of news that her sister had been injured in an auto accident there.

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JAP FREIGHTER DOCKS IN AERA

**Akagi Maru Tops
Busy Week**

(See Picture Adjoining Column.) **BROWNSVILLE**—The three-year-old, trim Motorship Akagi Maru, 9,400-ton Japanese freighter, docked Saturday at the Port of Brownsville to load for Yokohama, Osaka and Kobe.

First Nippon Yusen Kaisya (NYK) line vessel to dock in the Valley, the sleek, streamlined freighter averaged 17 knots per hour on her voyage here from Boston, Mass.

The freighter is one of four craft listed at the Port of Brownsville this week-end, Port Director F. W. Hofmekel said.

Returning to Port Arthur on Saturday was the Barge Tulsa, in tow of the Tug South American, after discharging about 350,000 gallons of gasoline and kerosene.

Sails Sunday

The SS Southfolk of the Moore-Mack Line docked Saturday, and will sail Sunday noon for the Atlantic seaboard. The SS Texas Bunker of the Newtex Line, is due Sunday.

The huge Japanese vessel is one of the 152 ships belonging to the NYK line, the pride of the Japanese merchant marine, a steamship line upon which the sun never sets.

Regular service from Japan to Europe, America, Australia, India, China and other parts of the world is maintained by NYK. The Phalen Shipping Company is agents here for the line.

Visitors will not be allowed to board the vessel, in accordance with government regulations, but the ship can be seen from the docks.

Second In Valley

The SS Akagi Maru is the second Japanese ship to dock at a Valley port. First was the SS Kimikawa Maru which left here last August 22 for Japan.

Captain H. Tanaka, accompanied by Purser M. Kurimoto and Assistant Purser N. Takahashi, were shown about Brownsville and Matamoras by Gilbert Philon on Saturday afternoon.

The Jap vessel is to sail Tuesday daybreak for Port Arthur. After leaving the East Texas port, it will head for Cristobal and Japan.

On The Air

**Baptist Services To
Be Broadcast**

HARLINGEN—Rev. Douglas Carver, pastor of the First Baptist Church, announced Saturday he would conduct an hour's broadcast each Sunday, from 11 to 12 noon, over radio station KGFH, Harlingen.

Reverend Carver said he had designed the program of sermon and music primarily for shut-ins who would have no opportunity to attend church.

**Texas Sales Tax To
Be spotlighted In
'40 Campaign, Said**

AUSTIN—(P)—Announcement of Rep. Albert Derden for governor was viewed here Saturday night as strengthening the possibility that the general sales tax will be the principal issue in the approaching campaign.

Whether it will speed Governor W. Lee O'Daniel's disclosure of his intentions in regard to seeking re-nomination was a subject of speculation. Nearly all observers believe O'Daniel will try for the traditional second term but he has said nothing definite on the matter.

**Your own
Cows**

**Civic Committees
Arrange Meetings**

McALLEN—Two McAllen Chamber of Commerce committees will hold meetings during the coming week.

Fidencio Guerra, chairman, has called a meeting of the foreign relations group at 3 p.m. Tuesday at the chamber building, when organization of the committee will be completed. A discussion of oil field road signs will mark the meeting of the petroleum committee under Chairman H. H. Hensley at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the chamber.

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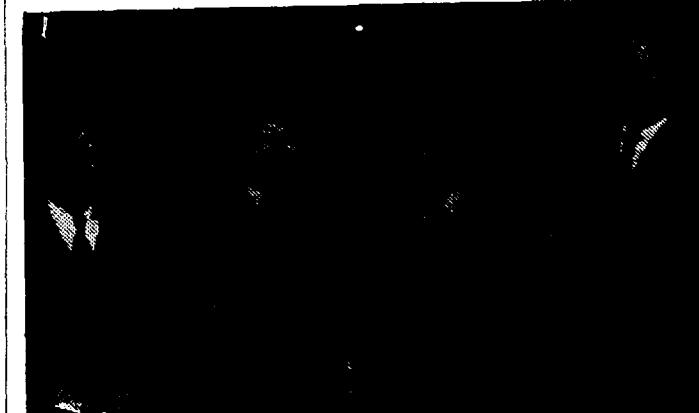
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FROM LAND OF RISING SUN



Far from the Land of the Rising Sun are, left to right, N. Takahashi, assistant purser; Captain H. Tanaka, and M. Kurimoto, purser, of the Motorship Akagi Maru, shown with Gilbert Philon, extreme right, of the Phalen Shipping Company, agent for the Japanese NYK line. The vessel is loading at the Port of Brownsville.

**Real Estate Men
Plan Monday Meet**

MCALLEN—Members of the McAllen Real Estate Association will meet Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the chamber of commerce building to discuss "Real Estate Values and Appraisals." The discussion is aimed at acquainting business men and residents with true land values in the community so such figures may be made available to tourists and newcomers.

COMING

**Dr. Rea Of Minnesota
Specializing in Stomach
and Intestinal Diseases**

**At Harlingen
Reese-Wil-Mond Hotel**

Thursday, Jan. 25th

ONE DAY ONLY

Hours: 9:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Dr. Rea, registered and licensed by the state, specializing in Stomach, Liver, Bladder, Bowels, Kidney, Heart, Nerves, Goiter, and Skin Diseases, without surgical operation, and with low cost to the patient. Treats diseases of women, slow growth and bed-wetting in children.

Dr. Rea has been coming to Texas for many years and has many satisfied patients in stomach ulcer, Colitis, chronic appendicitis, gallstones, rupture, rheumatism, obesity, pelagra, leg ulcer, dropsy, nose, throat, lung, bronchial diseases, and long standing chronic diseases.

He uses the hypodermic injection method for relief and eradication of piles, tubercular glands, small tumors, vaginal growth in women, and non-healing, suspicious looking growths.

No charge for consultation. Married women are requested to come with their husbands.

RFC FINANCES ASSIST SEVEN WATER UNITS

Over Seven Millions Loaned In Valley

McALLEN—Seven Valley irrigation districts have received approximately \$7,928,240.34 in loans and grants from the Public Works Administration for improving and expanding their systems, according to figures compiled here Saturday.

The loans totaled \$8,210,000, of which \$8,000,000 is still outstanding. Outright grants reached \$1,718,240.34.

Biggest loan and grant went to the Willacy County Irrigation District, which received a loan of \$3,963,000 and a grant of \$890,000 March 14, 1934. Still outstanding as of Jan. 1, 1940 was \$3,610,000. The district defaulted a \$25,000 March, 1939, principal payment.

The Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No. 7 at Mission received a loan of \$423,000 and a grant of \$33,000 Jan. 1, 1934. Still owing is \$373,000, with no defaults.

The PWA loaned \$400,000 to Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 at Edinburg, with eight grants totalling \$10,000. Outstanding is \$373,000, with no defaults.

Hidalgo County Water Improvement District No. 2 at San Juan received a loan of \$1,769,000 and a grant of \$432,430. Outstanding is \$1,009,000, with no defaults.

A loan of \$100,000 went to Hidalgo County Water Improvement District No. 6 at Engelmann Gardens north of Elsa, and a grant of \$30,000. Still outstanding is \$84,000, with no defaults.

Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No. 6 at Mission received a loan of \$305,000 and a grant of \$64,000. Still owing is \$262,000, with no defaults.

The PWA loaned \$379,000 to the Donna Irrigation District and granted \$137,360. The amount outstanding is \$339,000, with no defaults.

Gains Shown

Seaboard Life Shows 1939 Increase

HARLINGEN—Emmett O. Anglin, Valley district manager for the Seaboard Life Insurance Company, in reviewing activity of his company during 1939, said here Saturday that as usual, the firm made substantial gains in insurance in force and in assets.

Anglin said he felt the Seaboard Company has an outstanding record in investments, since the company has never had a bond in default nor a real estate loan in arrears. The Rio Grande Valley agency for the company made a very nice record during 1939, Anglin added, and plans are being made to an even better year in 1940.

Anglin is one of Harlingen's pioneer citizens, having lived here for 30 years. He was engaged in banking business for some 10 years before entering the insurance business. He is a member of the Commodore Club and the President's Cabinet, honor organization of the Seaboard Company, according to Burke Baker, company president. Membership in these clubs is gained only through exceptional production.

Rural Housing For Brownsville Urged

BROWNSVILLE—Application for a rural housing project in the Brownsville environs was made Friday by Mrs. Volney W. Taylor, chairman of the Brownsville Housing Authority.

Mrs. Taylor said a survey would be launched immediately to determine the amount of money necessary for the work, which would be located within a five-mile radius of Brownsville. The application was forwarded to Marshall W. Amis, Fort Worth regional director of the United States Housing Authority.

Harlingen Building Permits Increasing

HARLINGEN—New construction in Harlingen leaped to \$7,250 for January Friday, with issuance of permits totaling \$2,045. Building Inspector R. P. Bledsoe said.

Permit was issued to J. R. Collins for construction of a frame residence, 30 by 32, estimated to cost \$2,000; and to W. C. Barnes for building of one room to cost \$45. Nine permits had been issued to Friday, Bledsoe said.

Fort Brown Troops May Return Soon

BROWNSVILLE—Unofficial reports Friday indicated Valley troops stationed at Fort Bliss for winter maneuvers would be returned to Fort Brown here and to Fort Ringgold, Rio Grande City, about February 1.

Major John R. Thornton, in command of the Fort Brown skeleton force, said "no such information" had been received at the garrison.

Willacy Nazarenes Plan Zone Rally

RAYMONDVILLE—A Zone Rally of the Nazarene Church was held in Raymondville on Saturday. Representatives from churches throughout the Valley attended the all-day meeting.

Sunday night services will close the evangelistic services that have been held for the past two weeks under the leadership of Rev. E. D. Messer of the Nazarene Church in McAllen.

TAX COLLECTOR DIES

LUBBOCK—(T) Sam W. McKee, 69, of Ralls, former tax collector of Fannin county, died Thursday night of a heart ailment.

Premiums For Fair

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is a partial list of premiums to be offered at the Valley Mid-Winter Fair. Other premiums for various departments will be printed daily in The Valley Morning Star.

FLORAL EXHIBIT General Rules

1. Each exhibitor is placed upon his or her honor in the matter of being eligible for the class or classes in which they are entered. 2. Exhibits must be ready for the judges at 2:00 p.m. January 23. 3. Only committee staging the exhibition will be allowed in hall or building during staging of the show prior to judging. Exhibitors will deliver their entries to the receiving committee at the door.

4. When the number of plants or flowers in any class is fixed, the exhibition of any greater or less number disqualifies.

5. Friday morning will be set aside for the renewal or refreshening of any entries.

6. After the entries are arranged they will be under the exclusive charge of the Flower Show Management and not even the owner shall have the right to remove them until after the exhibition is closed at which time each exhibitor will be checked out.

7. All exhibitors must be at the tent Monday, January 29, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to receive ribbons, containers and other properties.

Garden Club Division

Mrs. O. E. Stuart, Chairman

1. Garden Club members will be permitted to enter exhibits in the open Amateur Class, but are not eligible for sweep stake prizes in open Amateur Class.

2. Flowers entered by Garden Club members must be grown by themselves, except in all Class B entries; however, flowers must be Valley grown.

3. Not more than one entry in a class shall be made by any member.

4. Each club will be responsible for its own receiving and staging committees which must not exceed four. This committee will receive and place the exhibits of its club.

5. Under the classification of Entries all clubs will compete against each other.

Cash prizes of \$20.00, \$15.00, \$10.00, and \$5.00 will be given to the four clubs accumulating the most points:

I. Totals number of points won by club members on entries:

1st Prize	5 points—Blue Ribbon
2nd Prize	3 points—Red Ribbon
3rd Prize	2 points—Yellow Ribbon

II. Arrangement of display area. Any additional decorative plants or material may be used:

1st Prize 50 points
2nd Prize 35 points
3rd Prize 25 points
4th Prize 15 points

III. 10 points—Correct and Suitable Labeling. All entries will be judged for cultural perfection or artistry and scored as follows:

(A) Cultural Perfection 35
Foliage 15
Size 15
Stem 15
Substance 10
Color 10

(B) Artistry—

The addition of 1 to 3 different kinds of flowers is permissible in this class, but Primary line of flowers should follow the entry specifications.

Proportion and Balance 25
Design and Originality 25
Color Combination 20
Relation to Container 20
Condition 10

Classification Of Entries

Roses

1. (A) 3 Roses—any color.
2. (B) Arrangement of not more than 12 Roses.
3. (B) Best Display of Polyantha Roses. **Gladioli**

4. (A) 3 Spikes—Any color.
5. (B) Artistic Arrangement of 12 to 18 Spikes. **Poinsettia**

6. (A) 1 Bloom—Single.
7. (A) 1 Bloom—Double.
8. (B) Artistic Arrangement—5 to 12 Blooms. **Bougainvillae**

9. (B) Artistic arrangement—purple.
10. (B) Artistic arrangement—red.
11. (B) Artistic arrangement—rust.
12. (B) Flowering shrub or tree.
13. (B) Flowering vines.

Annual Flowers

All flowers entered in this class must be grown and arranged by Garden Club members, although they will be judged for arrangement.

14. (B) Calendula
15. (B) Daisies
16. (B) Marigold—African
17. (B) Marigold—French
18. (B) Nasturtium
19. (B) Snapdragons
20. (B) Sweet Peas
21. (B) Zinnia
22. (B) Pansies
23. Miniature Arrangement.

Junior Garden Clubs

Mrs. George Krumb, Chairman

Cash prizes of \$5.00, \$3.00 and \$2.00 to be given to the three individuals receiving most points.

Judged:

1. Any Valley grown flowers in arrangement—must be arranged by exhibitor.
2. Miniature arrangement.

Commercial Florists

George Fletcher, Jr., Chairman

Cash prizes of \$25.00, \$15.00 and \$10.00 will be given to three receiving most points.

To be judged for the following:

30—Staging and arranging of arena.
30—Artistic arrangement and effect.
25—Quality of blooms.

10—Suitability and quality of plant material and other accessories.

5—Correct and suitable labeling.

May display any flowers, plants or material used by his establishment.

Open Amateur Class

Mrs. Frank Grimsell and Mrs. S. M. Harvey, Co-chairmen Open to all amateurs who grow flowers for pleasure.

To be grown and arranged by exhibitor.

Exhibitors may use vases, bowls or baskets.

A committee will receive and place exhibits.

1. Cash prizes of \$10.00, \$6.00 and \$4.00 to the three individuals accumulating the greatest number of first prize points.

1st Prize 5 points
2nd Prize 3 points
3rd Prize 2 points

2. Prizes will be given as follows to every class:

1st Prize 50 cents—Blue Ribbon
2nd Prize 30 cents—Red Ribbon
3rd Prize 20 cents—Yellow Ribbon

Classification

Roses

1. (A) 3 Roses—any color.

2. (B) Artistic arrangement 6 to 12 Roses. **Gladioli**

3. (A) 3 Spikes—any color.

4. (B) Artistic arrangement 6 to 18 Spikes. **Poinsettias**

5. (A) 3 Blooms—Single.

6. (A) 3 Blooms—Double.

7. (B) Artistic arrangement 5 to 12 Blooms. **Bougainvillae**

8. (B) Artistic arrangement—any color.

9. (E) Artistic arrangement—native flowers or shrubs.

10. (B) Artistic arrangement—Berries.

11. (B) Calendula.

12. (B) Daisies.

13. (B) Marigold—African.

14. (B) Marigold—French.

15. (B) Nasturtiums.

16. (B) Sweet Peas.

17. (B) Snapdragon.

18. (B) Zinnia.

19. (B) Pansies.

20. (A) 1 Foliage Plant.

21. (A) 1 Blooming Plant.

MANY ATTEND TOURIST FETE

Crowd Of 290 Sets Record For Year

MCALLEN—Two hundred-ninety winter visitors, the largest crowd this year, attended the regular tourist party Thursday evening at Legion hall.

Mrs. D. D. Rider had charge of the program for the evening and most of the numbers were given by people visiting in the A. B. C. trailer park this winter.

The program included: Vocal duet, Lola and Mary Poloma; musical solo, Arturo Sarabia; tap dance, Carol Speelman; vocal duet, Mary Poloma and Arturo Sarabia; tap dance, Marilyn Gahan; vocal solo, Mrs. S. Jewell as soloist and Mrs. Brewer and William Rostolsky at the piano and piano accordion. Taking part in the wedding were: Bride, K. Kraklou; groom, Mrs. R. M. Speciman; maid of honor, Louis Thurston; bridesmaid, Dr. Tracy; best man, Mrs. Vera Tracy; usher, Mrs. Clark; flower girl, Mr. Plantz; ring bearer, R. M. Speciman; bride's father, Mrs. Nellie Kraklou; minister, Dr. D. D. Rider. The bride's bouquet was fashioned from lily white turnips cut into roses and lilies of the valley. The maid of honor carried an arm bouquet of rose fashioned from red radishes and the bridesmaid carried an arm bouquet of gladioli cut from orange carrots. The flower girls sprinkled grapefruit and oranges in the path of the bride. Thus the wedding of Mr. Grapefruit and Miss Orange. The wedding party enjoyed a supper following the ceremony. The other accompanist on the program was Mrs. William Rostolsky.

Each contestant's name will be placed in a hat from which it will be drawn by blindfolded person. Contestants will be numbered in rotation, beginning with No. 1 and ending with No. 128. Contestants 1, 2, 3 and 4 will play at table 1; Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 will play at table No. 2, and so on until each contestant has been assigned a number and a table.

2. Contests at each table will draw for first down.

3. There will be no partners.

Each contestant will play for himself and at the end of five games

the player with the largest total score will be declared the winner at that table, and will be advanced to the semi-finals. Losers at each table will be eliminated from further participation for prizes.

Sunday, January 14, 1940

VALLEY SUNDAY STAR-MONITOR-HERALD

Ten School Bands To Lead Parade Of States At Valley Mid-Winter Fair

CAMPIONSHIP GROUP FROM WESLACO DUE

Big Crowd Expected At Unique Event

HARLINGEN — Parade of the States to open the Valley Mid-winter Fair here on Tuesday morning, January 23, will not lack for music with 10 Valley high school bands already promised and at least three more expected to enter the parade, according to Judge Merton Murray, Lions club chairman for the parade.

In addition to the Harlingen A and B bands, under Director Phil Murray, school bands have accepted the invitation of the committee and are coming from Raymondville, Lyford, San Benito, Los Fresnos, La Feria, Mission, Mercedes and Weslaco.

Free Concert

In addition to participating in the Parade of the States on the opening day of the fair, the Weslaco State high school championship band will give a free concert in municipal auditorium at Fair Park at 3 p. m. on Sunday, January 28, closing day of the fair, Murray announced.

The parade itself is expected to attract a record crowd for the Rio Grande Valley, since it is to be entered, with 13 floats now under construction, representing the 48 states, the District of Columbia and Canada. A duchess is to be elected from each of the states by the tourists. The duchess must be a bona-fide tourist in the Valley and there is no age limit.

Queen Orange will be chosen from the duchesses, the honor to be given to the duchess receiving the highest number of votes. She will be privileged to choose her own King Grapefruit, so long as she does not select her husband, fair officials have decreed.

Lions In Charge

Members of the local Lions Club have charge of arrangements for the parade and now state they believe fully 500 or more automobiles will be entered in the parade, since every tourist in the Valley has been invited to enter his car, to follow immediately after the float representing his state.

All floats are being built by the Mid-Winter Fair Association and there will be no charge made for tourists to enter the parade.

Parish Called

Vestrymen Election Is Due Sunday

EATON — The annual parish meeting of the Church of the Advent here will be held Sunday at 4 p. m. at the parish house, the Rev. Penrose W. Hirst, rector, announced Saturday.

Four vestrymen are to be elected for a term of three years, and five delegates will be chosen to the Diocesan council which meets January 21-23 in Corpus Christi.

Following adjournment, the woman's auxiliary will serve sandwiches and coffee at a social hour.

Vestrymen retiring in 1940 are: A. K. Black, J. T. Canales, E. M. Dierman and S. S. Nye. All communicants in good standing over 21 years of age are entitled to vote.

All nominations for vestrymen will be made from the floor. Reports and other parish business will be heard.

RIO GRANDE CITY — Bank Directorate Wins Re-Election

RIO GRANDE CITY — Directors were re-elected here late this week as stockholders of the First State Bank and Trust Company held their annual meeting.

The directorate includes H. P. Guerra, president; F. D. Guerra, vice-president; Medardo Hinjosa, chairman; Juan Hinjosa and C. T. Vale. In addition to these, officers include B. A. Spillar, vice president and cashier; and J. A. Garza, assistant cashier.

Capital structure of the bank was set out as follows: Capital, \$50,000; surplus, \$5,000; debentures, \$15,000; undivided profits, \$7,826.80; and deposits, \$28,736.80.

INCARNATE ACADEMY Will Give Annual Event January 26

BROWNSVILLE — The annual entertainment of the Incarnate Word Academy, usually given in early spring, will be held Friday, January 26, at the Junior College auditorium, ante dating the 87th anniversary of the school March 7.

The children of the primary and pre-primary classes will take part in an action song "Little Lads and Lasses Gay."

The second, third, fourth and fifth grades will present "The Princess Has a Birthday," a toy orchestra operetta.

The sixth and seventh grades will offer "Who Is Nancy?" and a folk dance and song.

Valley Visitor Is Injured In Crash

McALLEN — Mrs. J. T. Walhall, of San Antonio and a friend, Mrs. Lemon of the same city, were injured Saturday in an auto crash near Corpus Christi while en route to McAllen to visit Mrs. Walhall's sister, Mrs. David Taylor.

They were confined to a Corpus Christi hospital. No reports on their conditions were available here.

Mrs. Walhall owns a winter home at Pharr.

900 - Year - Old Cypress Tree Saved When Cabinet - Maker Ignored Sale

Hidalgo Tree May Be Largest, Oldest In Valley

By MINNIE GILBERT

MISSION — Lack of interest on the part of a cabinet maker saved destruction of a 900-year-old cypress tree, the biggest and probably the oldest tree in the Valley. If there should be an increase in demand for cabinet wood, it is more than possible that a landmark that must once have stood in a swampy area will topple 50 feet to earth in a heavy mesquite thicket southwest of Mission.

Age of the tree, estimated by J. E. Pittman, Pharr, landscape engineer for the State Highway Department, is based upon the diameter of the tree trunk which is 90 inches. Scientists have reported that the Southern cypress (*Taxodium distichum*) increases its diameter by an inch every 10 years. The venerable tree has a spread of about 75 feet.

It is growing near the Abram settlement on the old Military highway, at a point five miles west and about three miles west of Mission. The owner of the land on which it is located recently went to Mission to seek a buyer for a tree but his price of \$15 was refused by the cabinet-maker.

THE WEATHER

The Valley: Partly cloudy and much colder Sunday. Monday fair and slightly warmer. Strong northwesterly winds, diminishing Sunday night.

Oklahoma: Fair, colder east portion Sunday; Monday fair, colder east and central portions.

Arizona and New Mexico: Fair Sunday and Monday with little change in temperature.

West Texas: Fair Sunday and Monday. Colder south portions and in Panhandle Sunday.

East Texas: Partly cloudy and slightly warmer. Strong northwesterly winds on the coast, diminishing Sunday night.

The Tides

High tides Sunday: 5:20 a.m., 7:05 p.m.; low tides Sunday: 12:15 a.m., 12:10 noon.

The following data is for the 24 hours ending at 4:30 a. m. C.S.T. yesterday.

STATIONS Highest Lowest Precip. last 24 hours night (Inches)

STATIONS	Highest	Lowest	Precip.	last	24 hours	night	(Inches)
Akron	55	52	.00				
Abilene	52	34	.00				
Amarillo	50	28	.00				
Atlanta	44	32	.00				
Austin	61	41	.00				
Benton	56	34	.00				
Bethel	37	33	.00				
Cincinnati	37	31	.00				
Cleveland	35	31	.00				
Corpus Christi	58	58	.00				
Dallas	65	39	.00				
Denton	30	15	.00				
Dodge City	31	21	.00				
El Paso	63	53	.00				
Fort Smith	42	33	.00				
Gainesville	45	34	.00				
Huron	25	4	.00				
Jacksonville	72	58	1.00				
Kansas City	27	18	.00				
Los Angeles	65	51	.00				
Memphis	70	67	.00				
Mpls.-St.P.	19	11	.00				
New Orleans	44	38	.00				
Norfolk	44	34	.00				
North Platte	44	33	.00				
Odessa	44	34	.00				
Palestine	70	56	.00				
Phoenix	60	48	.00				
St. Louis	28	18	.00				
Salt Lake City	36	22	.00				
San Antonio	48	40	.00				
Sheridan	27	1	.00				
Tampa	68	52	.00				
Wicksburg	38	32	.00				
Washington	38	32	.00				
Watson	40	1	.00				
Wilmingon	49	41	.00				
Winnemucca	35	14	.00				



Granddaddy of all Valley trees, though very few cypress grow in this region, is the enormous Southern Cypress growing in the brush southwest of Mission. Its age is estimated at 500 years. It's immense size may be gauged by the height of the man pictured against its trunk. (Photo by Jim Pittman)

'Y' Better Do Right By Little Nell, You Cur'

Little Theatre's Riotous Show Will Play For Three Nights At Club Royale

COMES TO TOWN

Valley Movies

North, Midwest To See Pictures

McALLEN — Four hundred feet of colored motion pictures with prominent scenes in McAllen and Upper Valley as their subject were taken Saturday by C. H. Britton, Jr., to be used in publicizing this area in the North and Middlewest during the summer season.

Taken at the request of Dr. D. D. Rider of Minneapolis, Minn., national dental lecturer, the pictures will be shown by the Minnesota doctor during lecture tours scheduled to be made during the spring and summer.

Cost of the pictures will be borne by the McAllen Chamber of Commerce with young Britton donating his services.

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MERCEDES TO SLICE RATES

Electric Reduction Is Given By CPL

MERCEDES — The Mercedes City Commission has voted to accept the Central Power and Light Company electric rates, which will mean a substantial reduction in electric bills for local consumers.

Effective by February 1st, the domestic service schedule will be based on a \$1.00 net per month rate for the first 11 kilowatt hours or fraction thereof, with a reducing scale effective for electricity used above the minimum. This schedule is available to residences, individual family apartments, and private rooming houses for all residential uses of electric service.

A new commercial service schedule will also be effective soon with \$1.00 per month for the first 11 kilowatt hours or fraction thereof being the minimum charge. A reducing scale will be used for above minimum consumption, it was brought out.

Edinburg Man Fined On Traffic Charges

McALLEN — Manuel de la Garza Reyna of Edinburg was charged with three violations of traffic laws in Justice of the Peace T. J. Powell's court Saturday. He was fined \$5 and costs (\$14) on each of the other two complaints.

Reyna's driving license was suspended for six months. The arrest was made by State Patrolman C. D. Mussey.

San Antonio Picked For Farmers Parley

DALLAS — (AP)—The Texas Agricultural Workers Association Saturday picked San Antonio for its next convention and Eugene Butler of Dallas, its next president.

O'Daniel Appoints Successor To Tatum

AUSTIN — (UPI)—Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel said Saturday he had appointed District Attorney James Witherspoon of Hereford to succeed Recke Tatum, district judge at Dalhart, who died recently.

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REYNOSA, MEXICO — Dollars were being purchased here for 5.90 pesos Saturday.

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VALLEY SUNDAY STAR-MONITOR-HERALD

RAYMONDVILLE CAGERS 'HOG' TOURNAMENT

Wrap Up Two Title Games At La Feria

Final Events Draw Large Crowd

By E. C. (Doc) OSBORN

LA FERIA — Raymondville's basketballers walked away with the Ninth Annual La Feria Lettermen's Club basketball tournament which came to a thrilling close Saturday afternoon.

The Bearcats won the senior high school championship by trouncing the Mercedes Tigers 31 to 20 and the Bearcats annexed the junior high school title when they defeated the Edinburg Juniors, 16 to 12. The Bearcats are coached by Don Hightower and the Bearkittens by "Pop" Smith. It was Coach Hightower's first shot at a Valley cage title and the veteran "Pop" came through after making many real bids for top honors.

La Feria won the high school consolation championship by defeating Edcouch-Elsa, 26 to 16, and Donna won the junior high school consolation when they downed Dyford, 35 to 10.

Bearcats Beat Tigers

In the high school title scrap, Gilliland, Raymondville center, took scoring honors with 10 points, his teammate Taylor, close behind with eight, Hickman scored seven points for Mercedes. The Bearcats took an early lead and were never headed, the score standing 25 to 4 in their favor at the half. The Tigers made a fast finish but were never able to close the big scoring gap.

The junior high school final battle was a hard-fought one all the way. At the half the Raymondville quintet led, 8 to 4, and were ahead, 13 to 7, at the end of the third quarter. McClelland, Edinburg guard, and Callaway, Raymondville forward, shared high score honors, each accounting for five tallies. Edinburg missed 10 free throws and Raymondville fell down on nine tries.

Following the final game, which was witnessed by a large crowd, Robert Simandri, president of the Lettermen's Club, awarded the trophies and awards. Trophies went to the first and second place winners in each division and gold basketballs to each member of the championship quintets. Silver basketballs were awarded players on the second place teams. Consolation winners were also awarded trophies and the captain of each placing team received an honor medal.

Officials who worked the game were: Mil Auld, Lyford, R. E. Morris and J. C. Loveorn, La Feria; Harold Vic, San Benito, C. L. Finch, Harlingen, Glynn Jones, Sharyland, and Jack Lewis, Santa Rosa.

Teams Praised

C. E. (Toady) Vail, tournament director, stated that the tournament was one of the smoothest ever held here and gave each coach and team a boost for the fine sportsmanship shown throughout the tourney.

Other results of Saturday's games were as follows: high school consolation—Los Fresnos 26, Brownsville 20; Edcouch-Elsa 32, Rio Hondo 20; La Feria 23, Pharr-San Juan-Alamo 20; La Joya 21, Wilson 25; Edcouch-Elsa 13, Los Fresnos 11 (two overtime periods); La Feria 26, Edcouch-Elsa 16; Championship—Mercedes 27, Edinburg 17; Raymondville 23, Harlingen 8.

Junior high school results: championship—Mercedes 19, Raymondville "B" 2; La Feria "A" 22, Edcouch-Elsa 11; Raymondville "A" 14, Brownsville B; McAllen 18, Mercedes 11; Edinburg 17, Pharr-San Juan-Alamo 10; Raymondville "A" 14, Edcouch-Elsa 8; Edinburg 27, McAllen 24; Consolation—Lyford 16, Weslaco 12; Raymondville "B" 9, La Feria "B" 7; Donna 23, Raymondville "B" 12.

Cougarettes Win Over Port Isabel

BROWNSVILLE — Miss Mildred Hanna's El Jardin Cougarettes routed a girls' basketball team from Port Isabel high school 55-4 at El Jardin Friday.

Meanwhile El Jardin boys were losing to a Rio Hondo team 42-24 at the La Feria tournament.

Scorers for El Jardin girls were Evelyn Wilkerson 28 points; Anna Froyd, 19; Rosemary Merrill, 4; Louise Limerick, 4. Other El Jardin players included Jean Hunter, center; Mary Elizabeth Baughman, right guard; Lois Martin, left guard; Corinne Walls, Doris Martin, Helida Rodriguez, Anita Mac Loop, Marjorie Merrill.

The present one is Port Isabel's first girls' team according to Miss Gillespie, coach. Her lineup included Carpenter, Holland—guards; S. Hinosa, center; B. Schmidt, Baumfelder—guards; Buff Williams, W. Schmidt, W. Hinosa. Williams scored all her team's points.

Miss Katherine Stephens was referee.

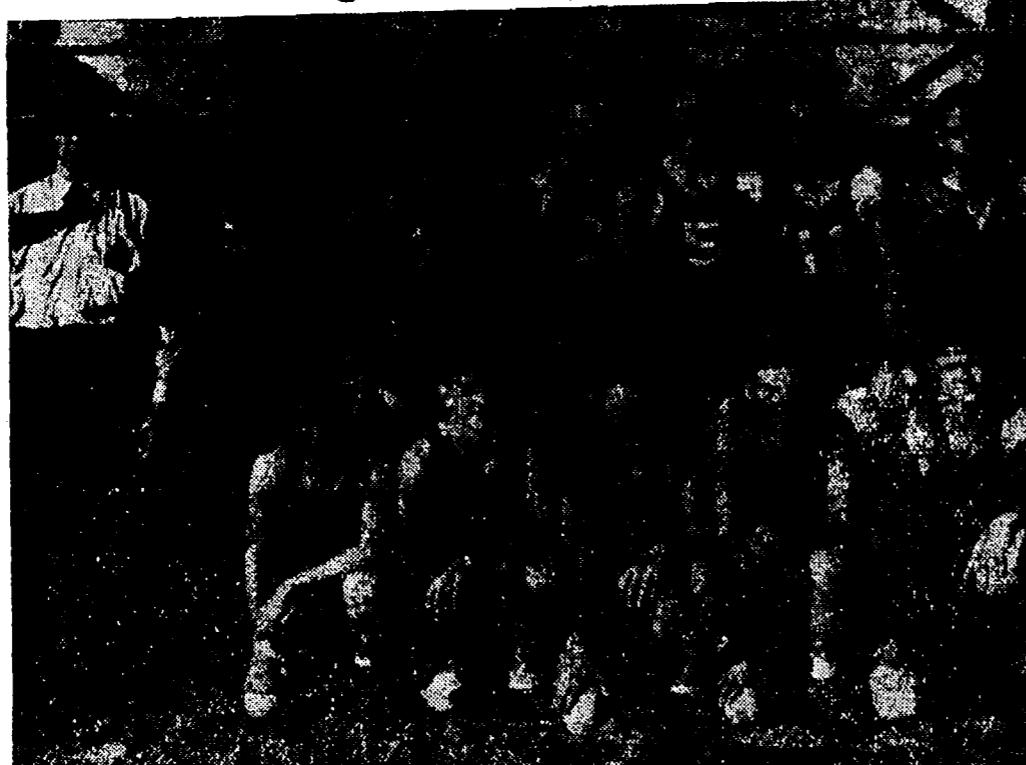
STUDENT RETURNS

EDINBURG — George Closer who is attending Texas A. & M. College, will be home for the weekend to act as best man to Roy O. Klossner in his wedding to Miss Betty Farnsworth of Donna, which will take place on Sunday, and to visit with his mother, Mrs. J. J. Closer and sister, Miss Annette.

VISITS SISTER

EDINBURG — Mrs. Earl Hollan visited with her sister, Mrs. Joe Baldridge, a few days, who returned to Harlingen with her to visit with her mother, Mrs. V. J. Koontz during the week-end. On Monday Mrs. Baldridge will return with Mrs. Hollan to her home in Victoria for a short visit.

Senior High School Cage Champs



Playing in championship form from start to finish, the Raymondville Bearcats won the championship of the high school division in the Ninth Annual La Feria Lettermen's basketball tournament. The Bearcats defeated the Mercedes Tigers, 31 to 20, in the title game. Pictured above are the new champions. Reading from left to right, front row, Severe Serna, Joe Allen Meyers, Kenneth Grier, Norvin Parr, Cecil Ledgerwood. Back row, Coach Don Hightower, Aldin Gilliland, Lalo Bazu, Hoyt Taylor, J. D. Beecham, Edwin Graham, Leighton Anderson. (Staff Photo.)

Champion Junior High Cagers



Flashing their championship smiles, the Raymondville junior high school cagers are shown above just after they had downed the Edinburg Juniors, 16 to 12, to win the championship of the junior high division of the La Feria Lettermen's Club cage tourney. Reading from left to right, front row, J. T. Owen, Oscar Gonzaba, Lewis Castillo, Jimmy Callaway. Back row, Coach "Pop" Smith, Sam Dear, Bobby Richmon, Noe Pevers. (Staff Photo.)

Gene Venzke Noses Out Cunningham In VFW Mile

BOSTON—(P)—After trailing a clubman field for seven of the ten laps, Gene Venzke of the New York Cunningham, who ran second from the gun, finished about four yards ahead of Chuck Fenster, former Wisconsin star, who set the pace until Venke took over. Gene and Glenn came off the last turn about a yard apart and the Kansan's famous finish was only strong enough to erase two-thirds of his deficit.

Well back all the way were the other competitors, Wayne Rideout

of North Texas Teachers, Archie San Romani, the other Kansas star, and Luigi Beccali, who provided Italy with the 1932 Olympic 1500 meters championship.

Venzke made an eleventh hour shift from the half mile, explaining to meet officials:

"I'm in the best shape of my career and I promise you that I'll win the mile if you permit me to start."

Charlie Bootham, New York's two-ply national champion, uncorked a terrific spurt that carried him to a three-yard victory over Indiana's Campbell Kane, the recent Sugar Bowl victor, in the All-Star half mile.

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Box Scores

LA FERIA — The La Feria Tournament high school championship box score:

	Fg.	Ft.	Tps.
Raymondville	2	2	6
Farr, f.	2	3	7
Bazu, f.	0	0	0
Serna, f.	0	0	0
Gilliland, c.	5	0	10
Taylor, g.	4	0	8
Ledgerwood, g.	0	0	0
	—	—	—
Totals	13	5	31
	Fg.	Ft.	Tps.
Mercedes	3	0	6
Dalton, f.	3	1	7
Hickman, f.	1	2	4
Pylant, c.	0	1	1
Crenshaw, g.	0	1	1
Settles, g.	0	0	0
Drawe, g.	1	0	2
	—	—	—
Totals	8	4	20

Officials: Glynn Jones, referee; Jack Lewis, umpire.

The junior high school championship box score:

	Fg.	Ft.	Tps.
Edinburg	1	0	2
Wise, f.	1	0	2
Crist, f.	0	0	0
Piggs, f.	0	0	0
Patterson, c.	0	0	0
Champion, c.	0	0	0
McClelland, g.	2	1	5
Walker, g.	0	1	1
Stout, g.	1	0	2
	—	—	—
Totals	5	2	12
	Fg.	Ft.	Tps.
Dear, f.	0	0	0
Callaway, f.	2	1	5
Richmond,	2	0	4
Gonzaba, g.	1	0	0
Castillo, g.	0	0	0
Owen, g.	1	1	3
Powers, g.	1	0	2
	—	—	—
Totals	7	2	16

Officials: C. L. Fincher, referee; R. E. Morris, umpire.

Sugar Bowl Heads Plan Big Program

NEW ORLEANS — (P)—Sugar Bowl sponsors believe their football game, now a \$250,000 affair, is big enough to take care of itself, so they plan to concentrate on building up the other sports on their already well-rounded program.

The "take" on the game is not made public, but Saturday night the inner circle admitted a quarter million was "pretty close," and said that checks and money orders for 20,000 tickets had to be sent back after the 72,000 seats were sold out.

As each team gets 35 per cent, this would mean the New Year's affair grossed Texas A. & M. and Tulane some \$87,500 each. It was estimated that \$75,000 remained in the bowl fund after the teams had sweetened their coffers.

A big item of more than \$600,000 for stadium enlargement, including a \$550,000 bond issue last year and the balance on a previous obligation, must be taken care of before further expansion is contemplated, one Sugar Bowler declared Saturday.

Virtual certainty they can fill the bowl any New Year's, though, leaves the sponsors unafraid of the Rose Bowl and event of the Southwest Conference's imminent tie-up with the Cotton Bowl, although they wince whenever the latter is mentioned.

So the plan is now to build the other sports into a Little Olympics that can stand alone without depending on the football game.

Hidalgo Judges Go To Other Benches

EDINBURG — District Judges Bruce Ferguson and Rogers Blalock of Hidalgo county helped clear up dockets in other courts of South Texas during the past week. Judge Ferguson heard cases in district court at Brownsville, while Judge Blalock was on duty in Duval county, where he will probably return during the coming week. Judge Ferguson will open 92nd district court here Monday morning to call court here Monday morning to call a list of criminal cases.

Heafner Blasts Out Ace To Take Lead At Oakland

OAKLAND, Calif.—(P)—As nonchalantly as he used to whip up a batch of chocolate fudge, Clayton Heafner, reformed candymaker of Linville, N. C., batted out a hole-in-one Saturday in the third round of the Oakland Open golf tournament.

That prodigious blow, along with 67 others, boosted him into the lead of the annual \$5,000 medal play event, enabled him to buffet par, and established him as the favorite to win the 72-hole tournament which ends Sunday afternoon.

When he checked in with his two-under par 68 Saturday, the bulky

blond from the Tarheel state posted a 54-hole total of 209. It put him two strokes ahead of his nearest rivals and at the same time put the pressure on the rest of the field.

It was the first ace written into the four-year record of the tournament.

Here's the play by play of the 191-yard second hole Heafner took a No. 4 iron. There was a slight following wind. The ball sailed straight for the pin. It landed some three yards in front of the cup and rolled in as if it were magnetized.

Some may laugh the feat off as a fluke but the big fellow with the big draw proceeded to play the balance of the round in championship form. He had a 35-33 against par 35-35 for the Sequoyah course.

For the second time in a week, Heafner was leading a tournament at the end of 54 holes. He was out in front at this stage in the Los Angeles Open, then took second to Carson Little's smashing stretch drive. Little wasn't within the same reach this time. He was tied Saturday with four others at 217.

Two strokes behind Heafner were Jimmy Demaret of Houston, Texas, and Ky Laffoon of Chicago. Laffoon reached the 211 total with a fine 69, whereas Demaret tied for the 36-hole lead with Craig Wood at 128, faltered to take a 73.

Wood took a 78 for a total of 216. Along with Heafner, two others

Sam Hogan of White Plains, N. Y., and Lloyd Mangrum of Chicago, carded 68's. It put Mangrum in the 212 class and Hogan one stroke behind.

Two-time former U. S. Open champion Ralph Guldahl continued to plug unpromisingly. For the third day he chalked up a 74, giving him a total of 222.

Wilford Wehrle of Racine, Wis., with a 72 and total of 214, paced the amateur contingent.

Lamar Wins Crown

HOUSTON — (P)—Lamar won a decisive victory over Jeff Davis, 35-26, in the All-Houston finals of the

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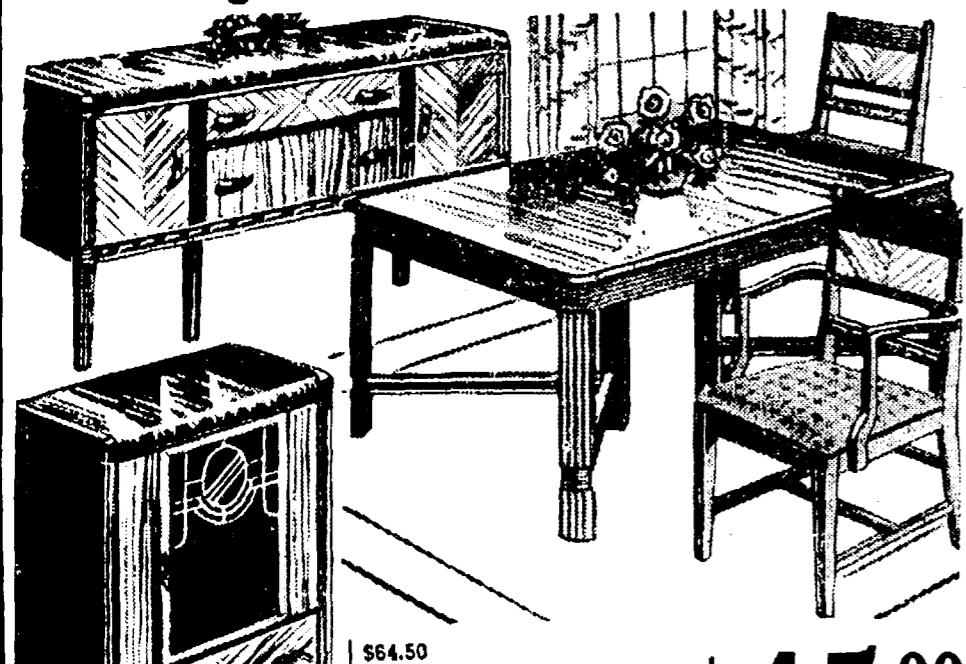
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china, 6 Chairs

\$109

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Buffet, Table
6 Chairs

\$149

\$90—8 pc. modern dining
suite, Buffet, table
6 Chairs

\$69.50

\$1.19 Smoker 89c
\$6.98 Bishop Hassocks \$4.59
\$6.00 Chrome Smokers \$4.95
\$2.89 Smoker with lighter \$1.59
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Full size or twin all steel
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8-Piece Walnut Dining Suite	\$25.00
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5-Piece Dinette Table and 4 Chairs	\$15.00
5 Used Gas Ranges Your Choice	\$7.50

RUGS—RUGS

27x54 Axm. Rug .. \$1.93
6x9 Axm. Rug ... \$17.50
8x10½ Axm. Rug \$27.50
9x10½ Axm. Rug. \$30.00
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**SALE STARTS MONDAY, JANUARY 15TH
ONLY SEVENTEEN BARGAIN DAYS**

Living Room Suites are Featured at Low Prices



\$87.50 2-Pc. Homespun TAPESTRY
very luxurious,
Choice of colors ... \$69.00

\$109.00 2-Pc. Charles of London
Living Room Suite, Brown Frieze \$89.00

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Room Suite, Homespun Covers ... \$97.50

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Living Room
Suite
Spring Filled
Throughout
\$47.50

\$169.50 Fashion Flow 2-Pc. Living
Room Suite, Egyptian Rose Cover \$99.50



Bright Lights
For Fall! 3-Pc. Group
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Shed a cheerful light over the living
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Silver and Ivory finished bases,
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cludes 3-way junior lamp,
bridge lamp, and table
lamp
While They Last!

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"Distinctive Furniture"

WEST JACKSON — HARLINGEN

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Beverage Set**
Consisting of metal stand,
8 glasses, 1 ice bowl
Regular \$2.98
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No Phone Orders
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MAROGANY EXTENSOLE
DINETTE
Corner Cupboard
Extensole Table
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4 Tapestry Colonial Chairs



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Blonde Bedroom
Suite. Choice of two
Style Vanities—

\$49.95

\$89.50 4-pc. Primavera
Bedroom
Suite Solid \$69.00
\$97.50 4-pc. Poster Bed-
room Suite, Walnut,
Choice of 2 vanities \$79.90
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ern Bedroom Suite \$59.00
\$119.00 4-pc. Bedroom
Suite, large vanities
Close Out \$89.00



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2 Electric Ranges Each	\$5.00
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6x9 Size	\$3.95
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Colder

The Valley: Partly cloudy and much colder Sunday; Monday fair and slightly warmer. Strong northerly winds, diminishing Sunday night.

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BELGIUM MOBILIZES TO MEET GERMANY
Cold Blasts Sweep Texas, Valley Gets Storm Warning**DUST STORM,
SNOW, GALES
HIT TEXAS**

Light Norther Is Due
In Valley

By The Associated Press
Gales, blizzards, dust storms and balmy temperatures was the weather mixture served Texans Saturday night, as frigid temperatures rode out of the Rocky Mountains on strong winds. Livestock warnings were issued for northwest Texas.

Just to add to the picture the weather bureau ordered storm warnings on the Texas coast from Port Arthur to Brownsville.

Gale Hits Odessa

Odessa reported a 62-mile gale struck the Permian Basin, starting temperatures skidding from a maximum of 54 degrees. Bus drivers reported the entire south plains area whipped by the gale. No damage was reported but visibility was two blocks as the year's first dust storm accompanied the high winds. A 50-mile wind lashed Pecos, bringing snow and sub-freezing temperatures.

From Amarillo came reports of a blizzard with snow, whipped by a 38-mile wind, covering the entire Panhandle. In the Stratford vicinity, north, several inches of snow fell with drifts as much as two feet deep. The temperature sagged to the low twenties early in the day and remained there. The snow was expected to end before morning but a mercury reading of as low as 14 was forecast with continuation of the strong winds.

A duster, carried on a 35-mile wind, blew into San Angelo and temperatures skidded from a maximum of 72. Colder was the forecast.

Big Spring also experienced a heavy duster and a 38-mile wind. Temperatures were dropping with the reading at 41 at 6 o'clock. Several spans of electric light wires were down.

Snow At Lubbock

Snow and 16-degree temperatures were expected at Lubbock as a 25-mile wind whipped out of the northwest. It was 31 degrees there at 6 p.m. El Paso had a 38-mile wind this morning but it moderated during the day. Colder was the forecast there.

A light norther struck Plainview in the afternoon and there was a possibility of snow by morning. Temperature dropped from 43 to 27 at 3 p.m., but had risen one degree two hours later.

Snowflurries and a sharp north wind accompanied 24-degree weather at Borger. Wichita Falls had a duster riding on a 23-mile wind. The mercury was falling.

Austin reported a balmy 71 maximum during the day but awaited colder weather Sunday. Occasional rains also were forecast. At Galveston the forecast was for rain and colder weather Sunday, while Corpus Christi's promise was occasional thunderstorms.

A north wind carried the storm, a mixture of snow and sleet, southward into the Oklahoma Panhandle.

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Cabinet Quits

Japan Faces Crisis
Over U. S. Pact

TOKYO—(P)—The cabinet of Prime Minister Nobuyuki Abe resigned Sunday, in a decision closely connected with Japanese relations with the United States.

Japanese army and government leaders alike were exerting pressure on Prince Fumimaro Konoye, former premier and president of the privy council, to take over Abe's post. A number of political personages believed he would accept.

Abe's resignation had been expected for several days, following upon predictions that his government would fall if the United States declined to react favorably to Japan's proposals for re-opening the lower Yangtze to third power trade. This was considered as an overtone to facilitate a new trade understanding with the United States when the present treaty is terminated—upon Washington's initiative—January 25.

Nuevo Laredo Police Hold Ship Deserters

MEXICO CITY—(P)—Arrest in Nuevo Laredo of two deserters from the German passenger ship Orinoco now refugee in Tampico was announced Saturday night by the government. The men were returned to the vessel.

The Farmer's Daughter

Now shift your eyes slightly to the right and you'll see that The Farmer's Daughter, theme girl for the Valley Mid-Winter Fair, is pounding away on a float to be used by tourists in their Parade of States. It is estimated that over one thousand (count 'em) automobile miles will be entered by Valley visitors in this unusual event.

Maybe It's Up To Lillie After All; Joe Stumped

Fair Officials Still Promise Rain For The Valley's Thirsty Farmlands

HARLINGEN—More philosophical about the business than at first when the introduction of an interloper was announced, Harlingen Bone-Club officials and Harlingen's Rainmaker, Joe Junkin, had cooled off Saturday, and "hoped" aloud that it would rain before January 23, opening date for the annual Valley Mid-Winter Fair here.

Junkin, at first furious at the announcement that the Fair would import Miss Lillie Stoate from Oxford, Miss., to bring Valley farmers rain, said Saturday that "It'll rain sometime, it always has," and seemed more jovial about the entire matter, as if he had a ace up his sleeve.

Can Hardly Wait

Miss Stoate, in letters to Fair Manager Sidney Kring, who thought up the idea in the first place, intimated she could hardly wait to put in an appearance in the Valley, and that she was anxious to bring relief to this drought-stricken area.

When asked why it had not rained after he boasted "it will rain within 24 hours," Junkin said a week ago that business had been too pressing for him to concentrate on the matter, but that he was developing a technique which would permit him to manage his business and sit on the bank of Lake Harlingen too. Junkin would not discuss his technique.

Very Unselfish

Kring said Saturday he and Fair Association officials still thought they were "mighty philanthropic" in bringing a rainmaker here to stop the car north of Buffalo where Crane was slugged and the other two released from their shackles in the back of the prison sedan.

Harrison Plan Dead, Conceded By Backers

WASHINGTON—(P)—Supporters of the Harrison plan to create a joint congressional budget-making committee conceded Saturday that it was dead for this session, but Senate economy advocates made it clear they would wage a vigorous fight to prevent any increase in President Roosevelt's budget.

Almazan Is Seeking Rebellion, Foes Say

MEXICO CITY—(P)—Leaders of the dominant revolutionary bloc of the Mexican congress Saturday initiated a movement that threatened to curb Mexico's press and charged that General Juan Andre Almazan, leading anti-government presidential candidate, was trying to start a rebellion which would lead to intervention by the United States.

BRISTOL, Conn.—(P)—The Bristol Theatre will not show "Money To Burn," the feature it advertised for Sunday.

A \$50,000 fire destroyed the theatre Saturday.

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DR. MONTAGUE TRIAL OPENS IN EDINBURG**Humphrey Is Missing; Defense Ready**

EDINBURG—The whereabouts of P. C. Humphrey, San Antonio salesman injured in a shooting last April 20 which took the life of Mrs. Velma Montague, remained a mystery here Saturday as preparations went forward for opening of the trial Monday of Dr. L. J. Montague, husband of the slain woman, who is charged with her death.

Plans of both state and defense counsel in the case likewise remained secret. Judge Bryce Ferguson in criminal district court will call the case at 8 a.m. Monday.

Whether Humphrey will be presented as a state's witness could not be learned.

Witnesses Called

Several witnesses have been subpoenaed for the trial.

District Attorney Tom Hartley will head the state's counsel, aided by Jack Ross and Truman Sanders, assistants on his staff.

Lieutenant Governor Coke R. Stevenson of Junction, who arrived in Edinburg last Thursday, will be chief of defense counsel. Other members are D. F. Strickland of Mission and State Senator Rogers Kelley of Edinburg. The staff represents one of the most prominent groups of attorneys to serve on a Valley case in years.

There was no indication from either side Saturday but that it would be ready to announce for trial.

A special venire of 200 has been summoned for the case.

The trial has been postponed once. Originally set for November 13, it was called on that date but continued to January 15 because of the serious illness of Mrs. Stevenson at an upstairs city. Since that time her condition has improved.

Defense Secretive

Thus far defense counsel has given no hint that a change of venue will be asked. Senator Kelley scoffed at reports that such a motion is planned.

The trial has grown out of an indictment charging Dr. Montague with the slaying of his wife, a prominent businesswoman and civic leader here for several years. Shortly after the shooting, in which the San Antonio man was hurt, Dr. Montague gave himself up to officers. He has been a leading professional man here for a number of years.

Citrus Meeting**Hidalgo Men Convene To Hold Price**

EDINBURG—Citrus growers, shippers, bankers and business men of this community will meet Monday at 8 p.m. at the high school auditorium here to draft a program for enforcement of the Valley's new \$10 minimum price on grapefruit.

The mass meeting was called Saturday by members of the Texas Citrus Producers Protective Association, in this area, according to Jack Berry, local grover.

W. D. Woodroof of Edinburg, former enforcement officer for Commissioner McDonald's \$10 minimum price program, which subsequently was held invalid by the courts, will preside.

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Jews Facing Starvation?**Nazis Deny Ration Cards, Cut Food Supplies**

BERLIN—(P)—Germany's Jews, already subjected to extensive restrictions, have received another shock in calling for ration cards for the period of Jan. 15 to Feb. 11.

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Cameron County's Tax Collections Increase 16.6 Per Cent

GREAT GAIN IS SHOWN IN YEAR TOTALS

\$1,066,807 Taken In
By R. T. Agar

BROWNSVILLE—A 16.6 per cent increase, \$106,070.02, in tax collections for districts represented by his office was indicated in figures for the calendar years of 1939 and 1938, released Saturday by Cameron County Tax Assessor-Collector Ralph T. Agar.

Collections totaling \$1,066,807.39 for 1939 were compared with 1938's total of \$960,737.37.

Collection of taxes current in 1939 totaled \$629,581.22, an increase of 34.7 per cent, \$162,193.46, over the 1938's \$457,387.76.

A drop was indicated in poll tax collections for 1939, only \$12,741.27 being taken in as compared to \$18,059.25 in 1938, county, state and congressional election year.

Occupation tax collections increased slightly, with \$828.54 collected in 1939 compared to \$792.62.

Beer-wine-liquor tax collections fell off for 1939, with \$8,677.44 collected for the year as compared with 1938's \$9,371.21.

Inheritance tax collections totaled \$5,329.64 in 1939. None was collected in 1938.

Delinquent tax collections fell off, with \$187,075.04 collected in 1939 as compared to \$247,849.81 for 1938.

Motor vehicle registration tax collections gained for 1939, with \$222,574.24 collected as compared to 1938's \$217,297.72. A check with County Auditor L. A. Bauer showed the county kept \$131,342.22 of the motor vehicle fees in 1939 as compared to \$128,450.43 in 1938.

Mr. Agar's figures included collection of taxes for state and county and for taxing districts consolidated with his office.

Delinquent tax collections for five-year periods are as follows: 1924 to 1929—\$723,759.12; 1929 to 1934—\$736,463.79; 1934 to 1939—\$1,181,186.38.

Re-assessment of delinquent taxes under the McKenzie opinion began in 1936, to aid collection of delinquent tax until it was halted December 31, 1939. During that period delinquent taxes totaling \$1,282,400 were re-assessed to total \$961,815.79.

Taxes several years delinquent received little reduction in "principal," Mr. Agar said, because penalty and interest on taxes delinquent in 1934 or before amounts to 35.2 per cent at present. Penalty and interest on taxes delinquent in 1935 amounts to 32 per cent; 1936, to 26 per cent; 1937, to 20 per cent; and in 1938, to 14 per cent.

"With many districts levying taxes each year based on anticipated collections, it is imperative some drastic action be taken to collect delinquent tax, to prevent the burden of taxation from being carried by those who pay taxes," Mr. Agar declared. In some districts the amount of delinquent tax exceeds the amount of debt.

Mr. Agar has proposed summary sales procedure for property on which tax is delinquent. "It is possible to operate under section 15, article eight of the constitution even though the legislature has not passed an enabling act or under statutes enacted by the legislature in 1938."

County commissioners have invited officials of all taxing districts in the county to attend their meeting Wednesday, when it is expected John T. Smith, former state official and now a practicing attorney and editor of the Tax Journal, will discuss summary sales again.

"After delinquent taxes have been cleared from the record it will be necessary to reduce the bond debt in certain districts in order that the current tax may be collected," Mr. Agar declared.

Some districts have refinanced, or refunded, their bonds on the basis of present valuations and conditions. Others have not and are "working a hardship on those districts which have refinanced and are interested in paying off their just debt," Mr. Agar said. "The taxpayer, when he deems one tax unfair or unjust, refuses to pay any tax, realizing any tax delinquent constitutes a lien against his property."

Boneheads Help

Underpass Suggested To Judge Dancy

HARLINGEN—Officials of the Harlingen Bonehead Club, after hours of secret conferences here Saturday night, announced they would put a proposition to Cameron County Judge Oscar C. Dancy about the much-discussed parallel highway from Harlingen to San Benito.

"If Judge Dancy will come up here and stretch out straight this present highway he built so crooked," Big Bone Jack King explained. "We will agree to allow them to underpass both Harlingen and San Benito and come up in the middle of the Brownsville turning basin if they want to."

King said the Bonehead Club had agreed that if ships in the turning basin wanted to use the underpasses, they were at perfect liberty to do so.

One Victim Claimed By Hit-Run Driver

DALLAS—(AP)—A man tentatively identified by papers in his pocket as Luke Gordon Sparkman was injured fatally Saturday night by a hit and run driver.

Police said the identity of the driver was known.

Man Who Made Coolidge Smile' Now In Valley. Painting Local Portraits

Pierre Tartoue Is
Byrd's Cousin;
Visits Here

MISSION—Pierre Tartoue, distinguished artist, known as "the man who made Coolidge smile" and widely noted as having painted more of the world's prominent persons than any other artist who ever lived, is spending several weeks in the Valley. With Mrs. R. Tartoue, who is a cousin of Admiral Richard Byrd and Senator Harry Byrd, the artist has bought a citrus grove near Mission and eventually will build on it to live at least a part of each year in the Valley.

When his present work is finished, the artist will have added two Valley personalities to the amazing list of subjects he has painted—amazing in its length because of his comparative youth and amazing for one person to have met, let alone paint, the great list of notables who have sat for him.

Staying at the Bentzen Lodge at present, Mr. Tartoue has been commissioned to paint Mrs. Elmer C. Bentzen, wife of one of the partners in the Bentzen Brothers firm, and Betty Bentzen, eight-year-old daughter of another brother, Lloyd Bentzen, and Mrs. Bentzen. Both portraits are nearing completion.

The artist has a portfolio which includes reproductions of some of the paintings he has made. The portfolio is filled with portraits of exquisite beauty—portraits of some of the most famous men, the most beautiful women and the most charming children in the world of today. To see them is like a visit to a famous art museum. In fact, the originals do hang in the best art galleries all over the world, and among collections of the best art authorities.

A partial list of the subjects who have sat for Pierre Tartoue's paintings is like reading a chapter of "Who's Who." Among them are: His Majesty, King Gustav V of Sweden; Colonel John Coolidge (father of the late president who received the portrait with delight), Edwin Markham, the poet; His Eminence John Cardinal Farley, His Highness the Maharajah Bahadur of Burdwan-India, Mrs. Aldred J. DuPont, Anita Louise, and others. Of Valley interest are the portraits of R. T. Stuart, Oklahoma City, who owns property in the Valley, and Major-General John F. O'Ryan, who has



Pierre Tartoue, Famed Artist

been stationed in the Valley during the 1916 border troubles.

Mr. Tartoue has painted several members of the Du Pont and Hutton families, innumerable state governors, and the presidents of three South American countries.

Among the many reviews of Mr. Tartoue's work by eminent art critics of the world, most of them stress that he has an old master touch—a quality most certain to make the portraits those which no "vogue" will replace. One critic told of Mr. Tartoue having been offered and paid the

highest fees for commissions to do portraits than any artist ever received in his lifetime. He has received as much as \$30,000 for a single painting.

Possessing a charming and friendly personality, the artist believes the fact that artists are usually temperamental. Showing gaiety and wit above all a friendly interest in those about him, Mr. Tartoue reveals one secret of his success—a sympathetic understanding of his fellow man, which he is able to capture and transfer to the canvas.

OBITUARY

LOUIS B. WEED
McALENN—Louis B. Weed, retired mining engineer, died at his home here on North 10th street Friday night. Born at Texarkana, Tex., he graduated from the University of Wisconsin. He was employed by the U. S. Steel Corporation and was general superintendent of their Colorado mines for 23 years.

He came to McAllen in 1930. He is survived by his wife, Gilberta. The Christian Science service will be read by Lucius E. Leach at 4 p.m. Sunday at the Kreider Funeral Chapel. Interment will be in the McAllen Cemetery. Pallbearers will be R. W. Shook, B. J. Madison, J. R. Ragland, A. M. Weir, E. A. Elliott and H. H. Herron.

MRS. LAURA WHITFIELD
HARLINGEN—Funeral services for Mrs. Laura Whitfield, 78, who died of burns at 2:05 a.m. Saturday, will be held at 2:30 p.m. Monday. At the Stotter-Burdette chapel, with Rev. Paul Weis of the First Methodist church officiating. Interment will be in Combes cemetery. There are no survivors.

Pallbearers will be Russell Miller, Ernest Collingsworth, Reuben Thompson, Alfred Berryhill, Tillman Norman and Charles Moncus.

ANNA HELEN RAGLAND
HARLINGEN—Anna Helen Ragland, one and one-half years, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Hugh M. Ragland, of Gilmer, died Monday at Gilmer, according to information here, and burial was held Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. Gilmer had visited in Harlingen frequently, and were well known here. Miss Inez Humphries, Harlingen, returned from the services Saturday.

D. E. WYRICK
COMBES—Funeral services for Doyle Ernest Wywick, 23, who died at 2 a. m. Friday at his home on Altas Palmas road, will be held at 3 p. m. Sunday at the Church of Christ in Combes, with Brother W. W. Gaddis officiating. Interment will be in Combes cemetery. Statler-Burdette Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

SURVIVORS include the father, D. L. Wywick; step-mother, Mrs. D. L. Wywick; four brothers, Irvin E. of Santa Rosa, Roy E. of Combes, Luther R. and Otha A. of Harlingen; and three sisters, Mrs. B. B. Turner, Queen City, Texas; Mrs. Howard Durman, Combes, and Mrs. Archie Talley, Emerson, Ark.

Active pallbearers will be Earl Roberts of Santa Rosa, Ray Burns, Darrell Frizzell, Ray Lewis and Rosa.

O'DANIEL SPEECH COPIES WILL TELL ABOUT VALLEY

McALEN—Copies of the Jan. 7 broadcast in which Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel volubly praised the Lower Rio Grande Valley will be printed by the McAllen Chamber of Commerce for distribution as Valley advertising matter, Manager Paul T. Vickers announced Saturday.

The governor sent the chamber a copy of the speech and granted permission for its use in publicizing the Valley.

Persons or firms wishing copies printed for them must inform the chamber of the number desired not later than Monday so the order may go to the printers. Single copies or groups numbering no more than 12 will be handed out by the chamber free of charge. Large orders will be supplied at the actual cost of printing, Vickers said.

Jack Howell of Harlingen, and Robert Adams of Combes.

Honorary pallbearers are Buddy Foster of Combes, Bill Bell, Jack Funk, Norman Williams and J. T. Hipp of Harlingen, Floyd Huie of Rio Hondo and Sam Sparks of Santa

LULACS FAVOR HOUSING WORK

Inclusion Of Rural Project Asked

BROWNSVILLE—Members of Brownsville Council Number Three of the League of United Latin American Citizens at a special meeting Saturday adopted a resolution asking inclusion of rural housing in the federal government's low rent housing program.

The resolution endorsed the program now under way in urban areas and declared its approval of passage of legislation to extend the benefits of public housing to rural areas of the nation.

A bill to include areas in the United States Housing Authority's scope passed the senate during the last session of congress and is now pending in the house of representatives. A project is to be sought for Cameron county.

Two additional members were named to the council's committee handling organization of a council-sponsored Boy Scout troop. I. Longoria and R. Duarte were named to work with present commissioners, Juan Tijerina, chairman, J. T. Cansales and Joe Martinez, Jr. With Reynaldo G. Garza as scoutmaster and Henry Brulay as assistant scoutmaster, the troop already has begun meetings at the city hall each Friday, with 20 boys enrolled. The troop charter is to be applied for immediately, according to E. B. Duarte, president of the Brownsville Lulac council.

He plans to leave for Mexico City next week.

New Classes Due

Jardin To Offer Two More Subjects

BROWNSVILLE—Two new courses—economics and commercial arithmetic—will probably be offered in El Jardin high school next semester, it was announced by school officials Saturday.

Winners were announced as follows:

Mixed debate—Ada, (Okla.) Teachers, represented by Norma J. Emery and Paul Swindorf, defeated Baylor, represented by Mary Louise Gehring and Davis Nordyke.

Junior women's Denton Teachers, Betty Jane Timlin and Neila Williams, defeated Baylor, Eloise Lewin and Byrdle Whitehead.

Commercial arithmetic will replace the second year of algebra, which was concluded with mid-term examinations. Economics has not been offered in the school before.

Church Man Arrives At San Benito Post

SAN BENITO—James W. Adams arrived in San Benito this week from Granbury, Texas, to take over ministerial duties at the Church of Christ. He was accompanied here by his wife and small daughter.

Mr. Adams has been in ministerial and evangelistic work for a number of years. He assumes place of Mr. Parker, who is now at college in Abilene, completing his studies for the ministry.

Man Is Held After Slaying At Reynosa

REYNOSA, Mexico—Ernesto Guerra, former customs officer, was being held by Reynosa police today in connection with the fatal shooting of Maria Rivera, 19.

Police said Miss Rivera was slain in a house on Allende street and shortly afterward Guerra surrendered at the police station, voluntarily confessing his guilt.

Domestic trouble was blamed by authorities for the shooting.

Sebastian To Stage PTA Mexican Supper

SEBASTIAN—A Mexican supper will be served by the Sebastian P.T.A. from five to seven next Friday at the Sebastian grammar school auditorium, it was announced by members Saturday. The menu is expected to include the usual favorites such as beans, tamales, Spanish rice, tacos, chili and coffee.

Australia has enjoyed a favorable balance of trade every year since 1929.

PAUL GREENWOOD, attorney: "I think the parallel road is paramount. It would remove the traffic hazard, open a new trade territory for Harlingen and San Benito, and make a 'through shot' for the Hug-the-Coast highway when it is completed. Relief from traffic congestion out towards Four Corners would be very beneficial."

DAN HESLOP, Harlingen, cafe: "I haven't thought much about it but my opinion would be that since our present approaches to Harlingen are so unsightly a new one from the north would be more receptive to beautification. Our town gets a sore eye before the motorists ever gets here, the way the existing roads are laid out."

T. S. HERREN, Harlingen, real estate: "I would favor the parallel road. It seems more reasonable. In other cities I like the highways skirt the main part somewhat, but also have a convenient way of getting up into the town if motorists want to go through town and then onto the main route again."

A. C. PATE AND L. PATE—Above all things we don't want to see a road go around Harlingen. It hurts any town. We should at least have a cutoff into Harlingen if we get a parallel road. A widened road would answer our purpose for many years to come."

Sure, The Kenedy Highway Is Open! Tourist Drives Over Famous Road On Bicycle; Has Trouble With Fences

HARLINGEN—You can't tell Charles Tarnowski, Duluth, Minn. that the Kenedy county highway isn't already opened. He's driven over it—on a bicycle!

He arrived in Harlingen Saturday, possibly the first tourist to negotiate the famous highway. He plans to continue to Brownsville, meet another bicyclist traveler, and ride to Mexico City.

"The bridges are all completed, but very little work is now being done on the highway," he said Saturday. "The parts that are completed are excellent, being far wider than normal. I got onto the highway by mistake, not knowing that it was under construction. I had to lift my bike across a few fences to get through. I saw no wildlife, although I'm told there is plenty of game around there. But all I saw was a couple of dead rabbits. It's a lonesome ride."

Young Tarnowski, who has been engaged in ladies ready-to-wear work, in the U. S. lighthouse service on the Great Lakes, and in the wholesale grocery business, has been touring since last October. Only in recent weeks, though, has he abandoned his car for a bicycle.

He plans to leave for Mexico City next week.

HIGUERA GETS BORDER HELP

Matamoros Office Is Opened

MATAMOROS—Backers of Francisco A. Higuera Jimenez, who recently tossed his hat into the Tamaulipas state political ring as a 1940 gubernatorial candidate, Saturday had established a district office in Matamoros.

Higuera Jimenez is opposed at present by Magdaleno C. Aguilar, with agrarian backing, and Guillermo Shears, with backing of the Almazan party. The new candidate has semi-official backing of the agrarian and union groups.

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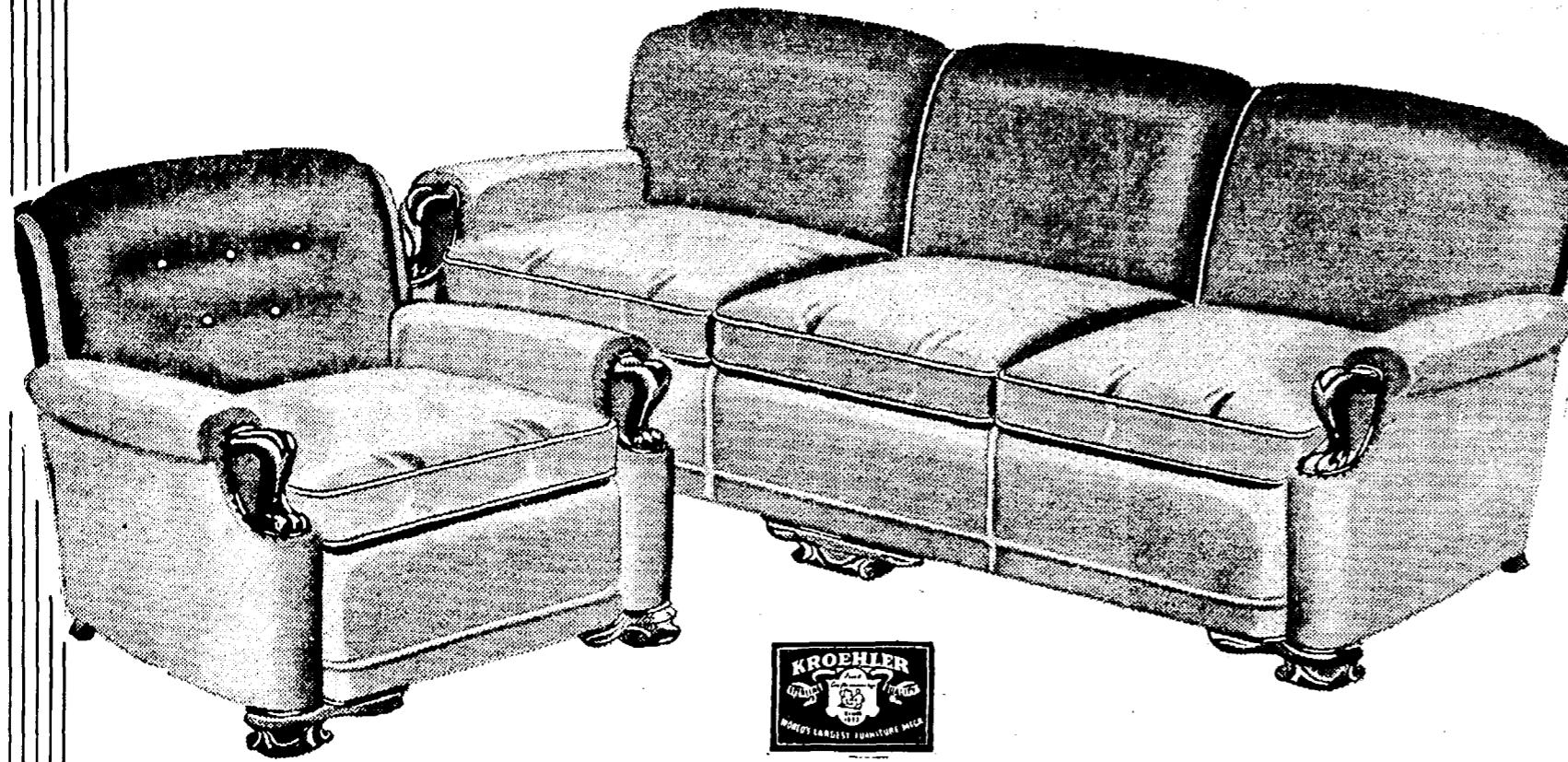
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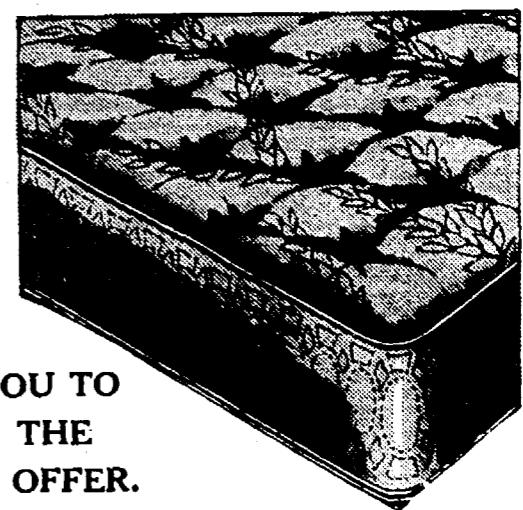
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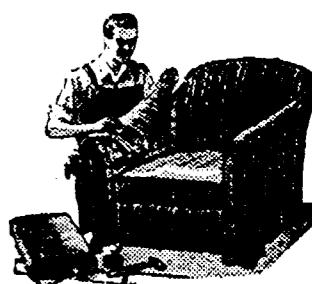
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NEW STORE PACKED AT OPENING SATURDAY



Satisfaction at business on opening day, and optimism for the future, was expressed Saturday by Mr. and Mrs. Jean S. Cavetti, above, near the close of the first day's business at the new location for Walgreen Central Drug Store, Jackson Avenue and First Street, Harlingen. The scene on top was photographed during the Saturday rush at the new corner drug store. (Staff Photo.)

'It's A Lie!'

Russians Deny German Officers Seeking To Train Red Army; Losses Minimized

MOSCOW—(AP)—The Soviet Russian army command declared Saturday night that "animal fear before the prospect of a military bloc between Germany and the U.S.S.R." had inspired what it described as foreign reports that German military instructors were reorganizing the Red army. It said the report was a "stupid, extraordinary lie."

The long statement asserted also that only 900 Russian soldiers had lost their lives in the Finnish campaign and these casualties were "due to the sudden cold which set in, rather than to the action of Finnish troops."

On the other hand, the war review issued by the Leningrad area military headquarters through Tass, official Soviet news agency, declared Finnish troops have lost not less than 2,000 killed and wounded.

BELGIUM SET FOR INVASION

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In Helsinki alone. Other parts of southern Finland were subjected to a second consecutive day of air raids. Helsinki escaped bombs yesterday, but high clouds which permitted bombers to disappear at will and dodge defensive fire made today perfect for their work.

The Finnish high command in a communiqué said more than 400 Russian airplanes participated in Friday's mass attacks but that damage was relatively slight. Only two persons were reported killed and ten wounded.

The raids were directed chiefly against southwest Finland and Finnish fortifications on the Karelian Isthmus.

An enemy attack on Aittajoki, on the eastern front north of Lake Ladoga, was repelled. Finnish troops on all fronts destroyed 12 Russian tanks and three armored cars, the communiqué added.

Swedish and other Scandinavian correspondents in the field reported a partial withdrawal of Soviet troops from Liinhamari, the port of Finland's extreme north Petsamo district. Other Scandinavian reporters, however, told of preparations for a great Russian advance from the Salla district, 200 miles south of Petsamo but still in the Arctic Circle, with 40,000 men already massed for action, others coming up and still more being dropped from planes in parachutes.

Rev. E. M. Todd Dies After Long Work



REV. E. M. TODD

HARLINGEN—Rev. Earle Marion Todd, 76, retired clergyman, former college president, and resident of the Valley for many years, died here Saturday at 4:25 a.m., after an illness of only a few days. He had lived near Harlingen since retiring from the ministry in 1920.

Rev. Todd was born October 17, 1863 at Vernon, Indiana. He attended Butler College at Indianapolis until the middle of his senior year, then took his A.B. degree at Garfield University in Wichita, Kan. He received his D.D. degree at Christian University in Canton, Mo., where for three years he was president. The university later became Culver-Stockton College, which name it now has.

He has served as pastor for numerous Christian churches, including those at McPherson, Kan.; University Church of Christ at Des Moines, Iowa; Chester, England; West London Tabernacle, London, England; North Tonawanda, New York; Manchester, New Hampshire; West Jefferson St. Church, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Canton, Mo. He was social service director and pastor at the community church at Leeland near Stuart Place in 1917-20, and in the early 1920's served for a time as pastor for the Christian church in San Benito.

During his tenure of office as president of what is now Culver-Stockton College, he completely reorganized the school in order to secure recognition from the state university. This required installation of thousands of books for the library and much expensive apparatus for the science department and appointment on the faculty of men of high scholastic attainment. During this period he travelled with "Men and Millions Movement of Disciples of Christ" and worked with Mr. Abe Corey and Mr. Raphael Miller to secure funds to aid the school. His name and activities are listed in Who's Who in America.

Overtime, produced by these activities, caused a breakdown, and his coming to the Valley and subsequent retirement. When he was unable to take active part in the cultivation of his citrus orchard, he began to devote himself to writing. Several of his articles have been published in Christian Evangelist and The Scroll and other magazines. His last article is to be published shortly.

His only survivor is his sister, Miss M. Flora Todd of Harlingen. It has been requested there be no flowers for the services to be held at 3 p.m. Sunday at First Christian Church in San Benito. Rev. D. G. Wagner, assisted by Rev. G. S. Stauffer, will conduct the services.

RAIN MAKER BALKS HERE

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rain the annual exposition for the sake of Valley agriculture. Krings said they had agreed to let Miss Stoate make it rain to her heart's content, and that they thought Valley farmers would be willing to chip in to defray losses incurred by the fair through the downpours each day.

Even Robots Know Valley Clime Best

Gloomy Harris Here For Vacation

BROWNSVILLE—Even a robot who's never cracked 1:10,000th part of a smile (on duty), knows the best place on earth to vacation.

In other words, R. H. "Gloomy" Harris, one of the only two show-window "mechanical men" in the world today, is back in the Valley for the eighth consecutive winter. He's going to stay through the Valley Mid-Winter Fair at Harlingen and Charreria Days at Brownsville.

Buster Keaton of film fame was a "giggle" compared to "Gloomy" because a fractional smile (on duty) might cost him anything up to a seven-passenger luxury automobile. Prizes are offered for anyone who can make him smile, and those prizes are clipped off his salary.

To date after 20 years, ear-waggers, muggers, wise-crackers and Pat-and-Mike jestokers have drawn a double-blank in their efforts to collect via "Gloomy's" pan. Some of their stuff is pretty funny, too," he says, "but I can't grin my pay check away."

In action, he looks like a wax figure and acts like a machine operating off eccentric cams. It's

GUN VICTIM WAS SUICIDE

Manzano, 90, Found Near Boca Chica

BROWNSVILLE—A verdict of suicide was returned in the shotgun death late Friday of Timoto Manzano, 90, whom relatives found dead near his home on La Tulosa ranch between here and Boca Chica.

He was shot in the body with a single charge from a 16 gauge single-barrel shotgun. Deputy Sheriff Bob Smith said the gun apparently had been braced against a tree, the man then standing over the muzzle and pulling the trigger with a piece of cord.

Relatives residing nearby found him, and later recalled hearing a shot about 4 p.m. they had believed fired at a hawk, Smith said.

Judge Fred Recio, justice of the peace, returned the suicide verdict.

Manzano was born in 1850 in the old port of Bagdad below the Rio Grande, since destroyed. He came to the United States as a young man, residing in the San Antonio area, and moved to the Valley several years ago. He never married.

Survivors include a niece, Mrs. Clotilde Manzano de Paredes; three nephews, Ignacio, Eduardo and Diomedes Manzano, and many grandchildren. Funeral arrangements are in charge of Delta Funeral Home.

NORTHER IS SLATED HERE

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and New Mexico. Temperatures were well below freezing.

Highways Blocked

In western Kansas some highways were blocked by drifts. Telephone service was disrupted. The highway commission warned motorists to remain at home except in emergencies.

The storm moved down from the high Rocky Mountains, where snow up to 47 inches in depth was reported in some districts. Montana reported light snow and temperatures ranging down to 11 degrees below zero at Glendive.

In Iowa the storm contributed to the death of at least three persons in automobile-train crashes. All sections of the state, the highway patrol reported, lay under the fresh, white blanket which piled up into big mounds on roads and highways under a stiff wind.

TO KINGSVILLE

EDINBURG—Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Klossner will leave Sunday to make their home in Kingsville. For a time they resided in Donna.

chip in to defray losses incurred by the fair through the downpours each day.

Even Robots Know Valley Clime Best



"GLOOMY" HARRIS

Connally Sees 'No Difficulty' In Getting Texas Pension Aid

U. S. FINANCE IN JANUARY IS INDICATED

Officials Disagree On A Setup

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senator Connally (D-Tex) telephoned Governor Lee O'Daniel Saturday there would be "no difficulty" about federal old age assistance payments to Texas for January, despite disagreement over a joint merit system council for the Texas unemployment compensation commission and the state welfare department.

No Joint Setup

Connally said he had discussed the question with Arthur J. Altmeier, chairman of the social security board, who told him the board disagreed with an opinion of the Texas attorney general that the two state agencies could not set up a joint council to examine and certify applicants for appointment in conformity with the board's regulations.

The board insisted, Connally said, that each of the two agencies still would make its own appointments if a joint board were created, "and that the merit requirements would only be a method of exercising the power of appointment."

If a joint merit council were undesirable, the board said, "it is clear that each agency may establish its own merit council and exercise its own power of appointment without requiring the concurrence of the other department."

Connally was advised by the board, he added, that as to the Texas unemployment compensation commission, the administrative expense resulting from merit council operations might be borne by the federal government. Out of such funds stenographic and other clerical assistance available to both agencies for examination and certification would be supplied by the commission.

Serve Without Pay

The board also suggested, he said, the possibility of securing as members of the merit council public spirited citizens who would serve without pay, since meetings probably would be held only twice a year to establish eligibility lists. The same individuals might serve as separate merit councils for the two agencies, preparing separate lists.

FIESTA WILL END SUNDAY

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women's division with a score of 94 of a possible 100. Petra Ramirez of Melch and Company, Mission, was second with score of 91 and Marcella Rhiney of Mission Citrus Association was third with score of 89.

In men's division, Ted Walden of McAllen Citrus Association was first with score of 94.4, Tony Wickliff of Burkhardt Fruit and Vegetable Company, Alamo, scored 91.3 for second honors and Waymon Robin of Growers Fruit Company, Edinburg, scored 91 for third place.

Prizes of \$50 were offered in each division, with judging done by U. S. department of agriculture men. They scored 65 per cent for neatness in appearance of box and 25 per cent for speed. Walden was the only one who scored perfect 65 for neatness.

Citrus Exhibit

One of the outstanding features of the Fiesta was the exhibit of citrus and sub-tropical fruits entered by growers of the section. For the first time in several years, no cash awards were made. Instead, growers cooperated with the fiesta theme of glorifying citrus by contributing outstanding varieties of citrus to the displays. Ribbon awards for first, second and third places were made for every variety of citrus grown in the Valley.

John H. Shary was winner of the sweepstakes award, designated by a purple ribbon. Winning nine first place awards and a number of second and third, the "Father of the Valley citrus industry" repeated honors won in practically every citrus fiesta since the first celebration.

An unusual and enjoyable feature of the Fiesta was the antique and hobby show sponsored by the Colonel Henry Hill Chapter, D.A.R. Unusual collections of hobbyists and interesting and rare antiques form the display, which almost has the characteristics of a museum.

Saturday was a field day for photographers, candid camera fans, and amateur movie makers, as well as the news reel camera men who were in Mission to attend the Fiesta events.

Most exciting of the scenes staged for the camera men were those made at the Crystal Waters pool with bathing beauties and golden grapefruit being mixed to give

CHAMPION IOOF DEGREE TEAM



Champion IOOF degree team of the Valley at San Benito (pictured above) rated 100 per cent at the January 2 convention of Odd Fellows lodges, held in Donna. L. P. Kradit, degree captain, is shown seated with the trophy awarded the San Benito team. Standing, left to right, front row, are Bud Mills, Frank Mathis, A. A. Miller, J. B. Gunn, Dave Eliff, M. G. Woods, A. C. Kyser, and John Fry. Back row, left to right, are Fred Horton, Denver Hance, Jim Perkins, Ed Yarrow, and A. A. Hoag.

WEST IN HIDALGO
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War Analysis Shows Past 5 Months Have Produced Only 'Unexpected Events'

STRONG LINES HAVE COME UP TO ALL HOPES

Other Developments Were Surprise

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
Associated Press Staff Writer

Nearly five months of war in Europe has produced only the unexpected—with one notable exception.

The French Maginot and the German Siegfried Lines have influenced the war exactly as neutral military opinion expected they would. They have stopped both German and Franco-British Allies from engaging in the bloody business of frontal attack.

Just A Mockery

On every other front of that war, and in the Russo-Finnish conflict, actual events have made a mockery of predictions.

Poland collapsed in days under a terrific German thrust. That not only wrecked hopes of the Franco-British allies that Poland could hold out until aid could reach her directly or indirectly, but shattered Franco-British post-war security dreams.

The whole conception of peace in Europe founded on "buffer state" encirclement of Germany went down with Poland. The keystone of the treaty of Versailles peace arch erected by the World War all's failed. Whatever the outcome of the war, it will be new Europe and a new peace technique that the world sees in operation there if European civilization survives the blow of war.

Germany's ruthless smash in Poland was as unexpected in highest French, British and, most of all, Polish officialdom as was Russia's latter attack on Finland.

The Finns, however, had learned a lesson. They made ready for any eventuality, even as they sought to talk themselves out of danger. And they added another to the list of wonders of the world when they turned on their Russian foes and smashed Red army divisions.

Stunning Sea Chapter

Defeat of the vaunted Nazi "pocket battleship" Graf Spee by a trio of British cruisers, outmatched in everything but speed, wrote another stunning chapter of the improbable come true. To cap it, and against every tradition of sea warfare, the Spee's captain took first the life of his ship by Hitler order, then his own.

A dozen other war incidents could be cited on the positive side to prove the rule that only the unexpected is probable. Even more supporting, however, is the record on the negative side, of things of horror that have not taken place yet.

At the onset of the war, and with the air filled with far echoes of Nazi air bombs in Poland all the cities in the belligerent countries covered under the nightly "black-out." In anticipation of a rain of death from the skies. Millions of non-combatant civilians carried on in hourly expectation of air terrorism.

It has not come. The expected and world-dreaded supreme horror of modern war has not been realized.

No "World War"

Nor has the world-wide dread that war in Europe must mean a new world war become reality. Events may be shaping along the shores of the Baltic or in the Balkans to engulf more nations in the war whirlpool, yet so far all belligerents are strictly avoiding steps that might widen the battle theater.

Against that background, renewed predictions in England of an impending ruthless German air onslaught, forecast by widening Nazi air scouting forays, lose some of their force. Similarly, the foreboding of French military observers that Hitler rendered desperate by the choking effect of the Allied sea siege, will order his legions to the charge in spring against the Maginot line, may be discounted.

Against that background, also, might be displayed the one, outstanding discernible improbability of the near future which spiritual and neutral temporal leaders are prayerfully weighing—peace. If the unexpected is the rule in this war, early peace would be its greatest boon to humanity.

2 Streamliners

Southern Pacific To Add To Service

HOUSTON—The Southern Pacific Railroad has placed two new, 14-car streamliners Daylight in service between Los Angeles and San Francisco, replacing the famed Streamliners Daylight, J. T. Monroe, passenger traffic manager announced. The streamliners sail on daily day-light schedules in each direction with public address system reaching every car in each train so that railroad representatives can describe points of interest.

Latest developments in air-conditioning have been applied. Fluorescent lighting is used throughout, and dining car service has new triple articulated unit, one being coffee shop seating 80 people, the third unit being dining car seating 72 people, and second or middle unit being the kitchen serving both coffee shop and diner. It is the largest dining car in America. Electric water coolers are installed equipped with compartments in which mothers may place bottled milk and other food preparations for their little ones.

The transcontinental Argonaut, New Orleans to Los Angeles, via Houston, San Antonio and El Paso, makes direct connection with the Streamliner Daylight for San Francisco.

ARMED BANDITS RAID BRUSH COURT INJUSTICE SAM PERL IS HOG-TIED



Bertram Combe is shown above reaching over to seize a six shooter from the hand of James L. Abney, preventing the Klondike chief from administering a "tiro de gracia" to Chief Injustice Sam Perl, who is tied to a post. Mr. Combe's heroic act was the climax to a raid of Klondike "banditos" Friday afternoon at the Court of the Grand Brush when their leader faced trial for not trimming his Charro Days beard.

By A. D. HAWKINS

BROWNSVILLE — A reward of one peso was offered Saturday by Chief Injustice Sam Perl of the Court of the Grand Brush for information leading to the arrest and conviction of bearded Klondike "banditos", who raided their courtroom Friday afternoon here.

The Brush Court was thrown into turmoil, and its officials temporarily held in custody by the bandits, in the midst of the trial of James L. Abney, Klondike leader, charged with failure to trim his Charro Days beard.

Dressed in Latin American peon costume, and armed with rifles and pistols of the Civil war era, the "bandits" quickly took possession of the Brush court.

The shooting of fireworks, and roar of miniature torpedoes, nearly panicked the crowd of 200 spectators.

Chief Injustice Perl was taken to the vicinity of the El Jardin hotel where he was bound to a post, while associate injustices were held nearby. Some of the court officials fled.

The chief injustice, safe in the hands of his rescuers, next decreed the trial of Klondike Abney a mistrial. He said that date of a new trial would be set Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. when the court again convenes at the new city hall. Abney was said he would plead "former jeopardy."

Injustice Perl also intimated that he might restore Chief Ballif H. D. Lozano and Court Deputy Will C. Gables to good standing. They fled when the raid occurred.

You Klondikers are all right. You're good fellows. You can grow your beards as long as you want. There's always justice for you in my court," the chief injustice cried from captivity.

He changed his tune a few minutes later, however, when the Brownsville police department's riot squad, led by Chief of Police John A. McRay, came to his rescue.

"They (the Klondikes) can't do this to me," Chief Injustice Perl buffed. "I'll get the ringleaders. I'll hang them by their heads, and have them 'guillotined' (razored)," he added.

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FACTORIES IN U.S. ENGAGE IN 'GRIM WAR'

Substitutes Forge To Front—Babson

By ROGER BABSON

BABSON PARK, Fla.—A war just as grim and far-reaching in its implications as those raging in Europe and Asia is being fought out in every factory in North America. It's the War of the Substitutes—Nylon against silk and rayon; Pliofilm against rubber and cotton. Plastic against wood and sheet metal. So far the chemists have won one decisive victory after another. Their new brain children, conceived in retreats and crucibles, are now used in 50,000 ways never dreamed of five or ten years ago.

Plastics, these new materials are called. They are a combination of chemicals, sold in various compounds by the chemists. Manufacturers put these compounds into molds, dies, and the like and under heat and pressure they are formed into various designs. From the molds, for instance, comes the plastic in its final form ready for use,—telephone sets, steering wheels, radio cabinets, safety glass, buttons, and thousands of other products. Of the compound may be cast into rods, sheets, or tubes. Then these are sawed, machined, turned, cut into whatever final shape is desired.

Test Tube Pedigree

This is a rough and simple description of the plastic process. Actually, it is tremendously complicated. In the original experiments plastics are built up synthetically, molecule by molecule, to possess the same qualities as natural products—stone, wood, metals. More than that, their chemical structures improve upon the natural substance in lightness, strength, and beauty of color. They have a scientific pedigree. These synthetic substitutes—"Ersatz" they call them in Germany—can be roughly divided into four general types:

1. Vegetable Plastics: Cellulose, made from powdered spruce or cotton linters is their base. They are tough and resilient, take a bright polish in colors. You see them most often on the "dash" of your car and as the housing for your radio. By a different treatment, cellulose comes out as thread for rayon underwear and curtain fabrics, stealing the spotlight from silk. Now, from another base, comes Nylon to assault the last great citadel of silk—milday's stockings.

2. Mineral Plastics: Carbolic acid is their base. The testube magicians mix it with formaldehyde and call this group the phenolics. They are strong and durable, good insulators, excellent molders. You use them every time you pick up the phone, plug in your bridge lamp, "vac" the living room rug.

3. Gas and Air Plastics: Urea is their base. They are a combination of four common gases. Some are translucent. Most have bright and gay or soft and delicate colors. Newest of the ureas—Lucite and Plexiglas are wholly transparent—clearer than glass. Unbreakable eyeglasses, super-safety glass covers for bomber cockpits are the uses of these new concoctions.

4. Animal Plastics: Casein extracted from sour cow's milk is the base. These are old plastics but they are finding new uses every day. Every time you button your vest or take off your overcoat, you're using this old, stand-by. Lanital is the newest casein plastic. It's an artificial wool which much resembles the real thing.

Rubbing Aladdin's Lamp

There are literally thousands of these plastics being used now. They are popular because they combine advantages of their own in addition to those of the natural material. It's like rubbing Aladdin's Lamp. If your material isn't resistant to electricity, for example, add a pinch of this and a dash of that, and the resulting plastic is positively shock-proof. If you want your new material to repel moisture, you take a slightly different "rule" out of the recipe book and your new substance is waterproof. No wonder this is the Chemical Age!

Here are just a handful of reasons why the plastics are crowding out the natural material in this "War of the Substitutes."

1. Easy to Mold

2. Light and Strong

3. Warm and Smooth

4. Good Insulators

5. Easy to Clean

6. Durable and Non-Corrosive

7. Low Manufacturing Cost

"Ersatz" are children of adversity. Plastics rooted themselves in the shade and darkness of the worst depression years. They have grown by leaps and bounds since then. But they have only scratched the surface of their possibilities. Technical progress is rushing ahead. When the plastics finally come to grips with the Maginot Line of the natural materials—automobile bodies—the War will enter its final stage. Moreover, it is not too optimistic to think of all-plastic automobiles and all-plastic airplane planes.

Possibilities of Plastic Planes

America's plane capacity could be speeded tremendously if "dura-mold" (a plastic made of hardwood veneers pressed with phenolic resin) proves successful. One of the big time-takers in plane building is the driving of as many as 300,000 rivets in some planes. In contrast, the shell of the "plastic plane" comes in only three parts—wings and body. Success of this process means stronger, lighter, faster, and far more economical methods of building, and operating. From plastic airplanes to plastic terraplanes (automobiles) would be the next step.

This War of the Substitutes means more than a battle between materials. It means vast social changes. For instance, a town built around a factory whose metal product is captured by "Ersatz" must find a new article to make or lay off its workers. Metal mines, ore railroads, cabinet shops, silk mills, may all be caught in the backwash of

And The Villain Still Pursued Her!

Drunkard's Daughter To Be Offered At Fair By Little Theater

HARLINGEN—The black-mustachioed villain will be hissed as he pursues the lovely damsel in distress, when The Drunkard's Daughter will be presented in the Harlingen Municipal Auditorium by the Little Theatre of the Rio Grande Valley, each night during the Valley Mid-Winter Fair, January 23 through the 28th, Manager Sidney Kring announced Saturday.

The Drunkard's Daughter, a sort of sequel to The Drunkard, was written and is directed by Paul Moore, director of the Valley Little Theatre. The play, which is a hilarious farce-comedy in which the audience hisses the villain and throws peanuts at the actors, ran two successful seasons in Dallas where it was presented by Moore before he came to the Valley recently to direct the Little Theatre group here.

SURE, THEY QUALIFIED



David W. Simpson's idea of how to measure beauty (with a yardstick) may be very rudimentary, but there aren't any flies on his selection of "charapitas" to ride the Charro Days floats. There's no need to tell you that the girls above qualified. Left to right are: Misses Mary Patrick, Mary Helen George, Marguerite Yglesias and Mr. Simpson, who is in charge of selecting the Charro Days float riders.

California, Pennsylvania Provide Valley Visitors

McALLEN—From as far west as Minnesota, Michigan, Texas, and California and east to Pennsylvania, tourists are coming to McAllen to spend the winter.

During the past week, 48 new arrivals were visited by Mrs. Ernest Hawley, city hostess. In her capacity as local greeter, the 48 came from 12 states, with six each from

Other new winter guests are Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Howitt, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Falter, Jackson, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rolfe, Alma, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Jordan, Sherman, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Otis White, Franklin, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Russell, Gadsburg, Kan.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Shumpert, Dennison, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Damme, Anita, Ia.; and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Wagner, Rutheven, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Knuth, Toledo, O.; Mr. and Mrs. Will Wagner, Rutheven, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Miller, Freemon, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Baldwin, Onondaga, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Fury, Toledo, O.; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shamp, Onondaga, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Schmidt, Dick, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Anderson, Wayne, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Holman, Artiller, N. D.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Norby, Thief River Falls, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Davidson, Omaha, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Brouti, Melroy, Minn.

Among the new permanent families in the city are: Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Geddie, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. J. Haberman, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Sayer, Ruidoso, N. Mex.; Mr. and Mrs. Hal A. Kendall, Alma, Mich. and Mr. and Mrs. Carl England, Alma, Mich.

Branch Is Opened

Hollingsworth Upped By Wm. Cameron

HARLINGEN—Recent purchase of the Angelina Building Material Company at Lufkin has been announced by William Cameron and Company, Inc., wholesale dealers in building materials. A. E. (Arch) Hollingsworth, formerly of Harlingen, is manager of the Lufkin branch.

The Lufkin branch will handle leading nationally advertised brands of building materials for which the company is wholesaler in the Southwest. In addition the complete line of products manufactured by the Ideal Company of Waco will be handled.

Eaton Ewing, manager of the Harlingen branch of William Cameron and Company, said Saturday the naming of Hollingsworth as Lufkin manager came as a promotion. Hollingsworth lived here a year and a half, and traveled the Valley territory at that time for William Cameron and Company.

RETURN FROM ALABAMA **McALLEN**—Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Jeffery of McAllen returned Saturday from a month's vacation in Alabama.

This epoch-making War, Big beneficiaries, will be the farmers. The Plastic Army carries a bright beacon of hope for them—settlement of their two-decade old problem of price-busting surpluses. Remember, the basis of two of the four plastic groups is farm products.

FAIR BOOTHS TO BE FILLED

Main Exhibit Hall Is Nearly Ready

HARLINGEN—Decorators, painters and carpenters are working like beavers inside the Main Exhibit Building at the Mid-Winter Fair Grounds, preparing booths for displays, and every available booth is expected to be filled by opening day of the fair, Tuesday, January 23, President E. M. Crockett, said Saturday.

Included in the cast are such well-known members of the Valley Little Theatre as Tom Haney, Tom Sammons, Jr., Paul Moore, the director, Randolph Fleuriel, Marvin Downs, Arlene Kamahl, Gretchen Sammons and Margaret Brown.

Peanuts, pop-corn and soda-pop will be sold loudly to the audience during the entire presentation of the program each night.

Popular prices have been set at 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children under 12, with the show to start at 8:15 p.m.

Edinburg Bank Doing Quite A Bit Of All Right, Annual Meet Shows

2—Voted \$10 per share dividends to common stockholders.

3—increased salaries of employees five per cent.

4—Re-elected directors and officers.

The directorate includes W. P. Smith, Bryce Ferguson, H. I. Schlader, G. A. Reule and Tom Handley with officers as follows:

W. P. Smith, president; H. I. Schlader, vice president and cashier; Bryce Ferguson, vice president; Edmundo Cavazos, assistant cashier, and Tom Handley, assistant cashier.

The bank balanced resources and liabilities at \$1,485,845.93 in its report as of December 30, with deposits of \$1,355,369.36. These deposits are up approximately \$300,000 over the same period for the previous year and are the second largest in Hidalgo county, and the fourth largest in the Valley.

COMMISSION TO MEET **McALLEN**—The McAllen city commission will meet Wednesday evening at the city hall in a routine session. City Secretary C. D. Martin announced Saturday.

Walgreen Agency

Port Isabel Scouts Guests Of Rotary

PORT ISABEL—The boys of Troop 57 of Port Isabel, both land and sea scout divisions, were guests of the Rotarians, their sponsors, at a winter roast and court of honor held on the grounds of the city hall. All refreshments were furnished by the Rotary Club. Mayor Ted Hunt presided. Committee members present were: Mr. Ted Hunt and J. J. Jaudon. Rotarians were: Mr. Keith Stone, Mr. Brock Stone, and Mr. Joel Keene. Officers present were: Skipper Leo M. Baumfelder, second assistant scout master; Gregorio Tamayo, and first assistant, Billy Pete Ferry.

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CHARRO DAYS CACHET FIXED

Mrs. M'Gonigle Again Draws Design

BROWNSVILLE—For the third successive year, Mrs. George McGonigle, Jr., has designed the postal cachet for Charro Days, Postmaster W. T. Burnett, head of the Charro cachet committee, announced Saturday.

All firms contemplating displays at the fair are urged to make their selection at once and start decoration of their booths so everything will be in readiness for opening day.

Escaped Man Caught By Officers At Taos

BISBEE, Ariz.—(AP)—Robert Lacy Cash, one of three convicts who slugged a Texas state prison agent and escaped Saturday night at Buffalo, Tex., was picked up at Taos, N. M., last month on a forgery charge filed at Douglas, Ariz.

Cash at first said he would waive extradition if permitted to spend the Christmas holidays in the Cochise county jail here, but later changed his mind. Huntsville prison authorities instituted extradition proceedings, and Gov. Bob Jones signed the papers a week ago.

Third grade: Jimmy McLeish, Marjorie Hinkley, and Shirley Ann Oliver.

Fourth grade: Marijo Barr, Delia Gonzales and Charles Laakso.

Fifth grade: Antonio Garcia, Margaret Pace and Cleofas Salazar.

Sixth grade: Jimmy Hinkley, Francis Laakso, and Nathalie Wollow.

Seventh grade: Mary Lois Coots and John Schafer.

Eighth grade: Leon Hinkley.

Ninth grade: Hazel Lipe.

Tenth grade: Harold Graybill, Lloyd Sanders and Chalmers Williams.

Eleventh grade: Dorothy Henry, Bobby McLeish, Barbara Jean Goates and Veta Mae Ferguson.

Mexican School: Lupe Delgado, Quintin Rodriguez, Natividad Salinas and Eloisa Sanchez.

ON TRIP TO CUERO

MCALLEN—Mr. and Mrs. Angus McLeod left Friday night for Cuero to visit his parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. A. McLeod, for the week-end. McLeod will enter the officers reserve training camp at Fort Huachuca Monday for the next two weeks. During that time Mrs. McLeod will remain in Cuero.

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Sunday, January 14, 1940

POTATO CROP YIELD TOTALS 400 BUSHELS

Friend Shows System To Aid Farmers

WESLACO—Three hundred farmers from Hidalgo, Cameron and Willacy counties were told here Friday that they can grow potatoes which yield as high as 400 bushels per acre if they will apply simple methods of cultivation. The average yield in the Valley is now 100 to 150 bushels per acre.

The increased production was demonstrated by W. H. Friend, superintendent of the Valley Experiment Station, who dug a quantity of Katahdin type white potatoes with which he has been experimenting this winter.

Planted In September

The spuds were planted at the experiment station September 29, at a rate of about 40 bushels of whole potatoes per acre. The potatoes were not cut into pieces, as is one practice in the Valley, and Friend credited the heavy yield in part to this system. He further explained that heavy fertilization was not needed, declaring that for all its experiments the station here in 15 years of activity has probably not used an average of 100 pounds of fertilizer per acre per year.

Friend did stress, however, the need of using cover crops such as sorghum and cowpeas, which are plowed under to enrich the soil and enable it to retain its fertility. The superintendent has been urging such cover crop use in the Valley for years, but thus far it has not been widely adopted.

Also demonstrated was a crop of red Bliss Triumph potatoes, whose yield at the experimental farm was about 300 bushels per acre through use of cover crops and a small amount of fertilizer. This is about twice the average for ordinary fields in the Valley.

Suggests White Type

Friend recommended use of the white potato, which appears to flourish in Valley soil. He expressed the belief the Valley has great possibilities for growing white potatoes during the winter season.

Attendance at the demonstration was the best such an event has experienced in many months, according to a number of farm leaders who attended. R. G. Burwell of Edinburg, Hidalgo county farm agent, praised what he termed increasing interest in such demonstrations and the value they hold in the work of instruction Valley farmers in profitable practices.

"Mr. Friend has not done anything with his experimental potato crops at the station that cannot be duplicated by the average farmer if that farmer will apply himself," said Burwell.

Grimm Meeting

Revival Will Open In McAllen

MCALEN—B. B. Grimm, well known East Texas evangelist, will open his scheduled revival meeting in McAllen Sunday night under a huge tent whose erection was completed the past week.

Grimm plans to continue the meeting for at least four weeks. He conducted a similar campaign here several years ago that attracted large crowds. While no local church is sponsoring the meeting this season, several local churches have announced they will dismiss Sunday night services to join in New York. Soon he was being heard on many of the most important and remunerative commercial programs. Other important roles followed.

Grimm also began singing over a local Philadelphia radio station. There he attracted the attention of a National Broadcasting Company talent scout who brought him to New York. Soon he was being heard on many of the most important and remunerative commercial programs. He is now regarded as one of the outstanding broadcasting baritones.

SANTA ROSA MEET IS SET

Housing Program To Be Explained

SANTA ROSA—Farmers and their families from throughout this section have been invited to a meeting to be held here Tuesday night to hear an explanation of proposals to extend the United States housing program into the rural precincts. Call for the meeting to be held at the Santa Rosa school was issued by W. P. Clementz and J. Zahl, both leaders in farm organization activities.

Speakers for the program include Mrs. Volney W. Taylor, chairman of the Brownsville Housing Authority, and W. E. Talbot, manager of the Brownsville Chamber of Commerce and member of the authority; County Judge Oscar C. Dancy, and County Commissioner A. Kinnell.

The Santa Rosa meeting will be the second rural meeting to be held in the campaign that has been launched by the Brownsville authority. Messrs. Clementz and Zahl attended the first meeting held a week ago at El Jardin.

It was explained at that first meeting that initial efforts have been instituted to set up a Cameron county authority in anticipation of final enactment of legislation now pending to provide for a definite rural housing program for farm owners, tenant farmers, and share croppers. The pending law carries a separate appropriation of \$200,000,000 for the work.

Election of new directors and report of the past year's activities will be high points of Monday's meeting. Ray is urging all stockholders to attend the important meeting. The association has some 300 stockholders.

Credit Group Holds Meet To Name Heads

HARLINGEN—Sixth annual stockholders meeting of the Valley Production Credit Association will be held Monday beginning at 1 p.m. at the Woman's Building in Harlingen, it was announced here Saturday. Robert Ray of Lyford, president of the board, will preside.

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\$10,000 Project

McAllen Ford Plant Will Enlarge

MCALLEN—Construction of the \$10,000 addition to the Boggus Motor Sales garage here will get underway within the next 10 days. Clyde Hollon, manager, announced Saturday.

The addition to the service department of the garage will be located at the south end of the present building. The new construction will add space 100 feet long and 80 feet wide. Hollon said.

Expansion of the McAllen garage was caused by an increase in business, the manager said, and a desire to give patrons the best service possible.

Conrad Thibaut, Protege Of Coolidge Appears In Concert Here January 18

Noted Baritone Is To Give Recital In Valley

HARLINGEN—Protege of an ex-president floor walker in a department store, nationally famous radio star—these are some of the highlights in the life of Conrad Thibaut, American baritone who is coming here for a recital on January 18 at Municipal Auditorium.

It was Calvin Coolidge who encouraged Thibaut, then in his teens, to try out for a scholarship at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia. The ex-president and Mrs. Coolidge heard him singing in a church choir in Northampton and sought him out after service. They complimented him on his voice and urged him to train for a professional career. Later Mr. Coolidge was instrumental in arranging for him to try for a Curtis scholarship. Young Thibaut won the scholarship and was able to coach with the famous baritone Emilio de Gogorza.

His scholarship course ended, Thibaut went to New York fired with ambition to start his career. But he soon learned that vocal fame is an elusive goal. While he tried for a year to make the grade in Manhattan, he worked during the days as a floor walker in a department store. Finally, somewhat discouraged, he returned to Northampton and landed a job singing with a dance orchestra.

But Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge had not forgotten their young protege even though during those months of struggle in New York he had been too proud to appeal to them to use their influence in his behalf. Mr. Coolidge together with the choir master of the church was instrumental in sending the boy back to Philadelphia for further study, which resulted in his being given a contract by the Philadelphia Grand Opera Company. At first he had inconsequential roles or even sang in the chorus. His big chance came one night when the leading baritone became ill only an hour or so before he was scheduled to appear. The management sought frantically for a substitute. Finally in desperation they took Thibaut, who happened to know the part, out of the chorus and with grave misgivings let him go on in the stellar role. The young baritone received such an ovation that he was immediately assigned to sing another performance of the same opera. Other important roles followed.

Thibaut also began singing over a local Philadelphia radio station. There he attracted the attention of a National Broadcasting Company talent scout who brought him to New York. Soon he was being heard on many of the most important and remunerative commercial programs. He is now regarded as one of the outstanding broadcasting baritones.

HIGHWAY PARK NAME LACKING



Conrad Thibaut, In Valley Concert.

McAllen Plant To Process Mexican Pineapple Soon

MCALLEN—Grapefruit juice canning operations were underway today at the Christensen, Inc. cannery in McAllen where a 72,000-case pack of beans had just been completed.

E. H. Carlton, vice president and manager of the plant said the firm planned to run 750,000 cases of

Permits Soar

Commission Request Is Studied

MCALLEN—The McAllen American Legion Post's memorial park at Hidalgo remained unnamed Saturday while members requested the state highway commission to rescind their order that a Legion park be named after a soldier who died in battle during the World War.

Known since its institution as "Utzman Park," it became necessary that a new name be obtained when the commission requested that parks be named for a soldier who died while fighting. According to Post Adjutant Cecil J. Thompson, there were no McAllen men killed in service. Bolton Hyde was authorized to make the request from the highway commission at the post meeting Friday night.

Thompson said preliminary discussion of plans for the annual Fourth of July celebration was held, on which definite announcements will be made at future meetings.

Mercedes Building Is \$48,00 In 1939

Civic Committees Arrange Meetings

MCALLEN—Building permits in the City of Mercedes approximated \$43,000 for the year, according to Building Inspector Art Bell. Among the list of buildings were the following new structures and the cost of their construction: Dr. M. R. Laeler, home, \$4,000; C. A. Ripley, home, \$6,000; James A. Smith, home, \$5,000; remodeling Lang home, \$1,200; addition to Brown and Williams produce shed, \$2,000; two shipping sheds for C. A. Ripley and Logan Paxton, \$14,000.

The remainder of the total included remodeling and building smaller houses and buildings. Several new homes are being planned for this year, and permits for 1940 are expected to at least equal those of the past year.

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JAP FREIGHTER DOCKS IN AERA

Akagi Maru Tops Busy Week

(See Picture Adjoining Column.) **BROWNSVILLE**—The three-year-old, trim Motorship Akagi Maru, 9,400-ton Japanese freighter, docked Saturday at the Port of Brownsville to load for Yokohama, Osaka and Kobe.

First Nippon Yusen Kaisya (NYK) line vessel to dock in the Valley, the sleek, streamlined freighter averaged 17 knots per hour on her voyage here from Boston, Mass.

The freighter is one of four craft listed at the Port of Brownsville this week-end, Port Director F. W. Hofmekler said.

Returning to Port Arthur on Saturday was the Barge Tulsa, in tow of the Tug South American, after discharging about 330,000 gallons of gasoline and kerosene.

Sails Sunday

The SS Southfolk of the Moore-Mack Line docked Saturday, and will sail Sunday noon for the Atlantic seaboard. The SS Texas Line, due Sunday.

The huge Japanese vessel is one of the 152 ships belonging to the NYK line, the pride of the Japanese merchant marine, a steamship line upon which the sun never sets.

Regular service from Japan to Europe, America, Australia, India, China and other parts of the world is maintained by NYK. The Phalen Shipping Company is agents here for the line.

Second In Valley

The SS Akagi Maru is the second Japanese ship to dock at a Valley port. First was the SS Kimikawa Maru which left here last August 22 for Japan.

Captain H. Tanaka, accompanied by Purser M. Kurimoto and Assistant Purser N. Takahashi, were shown about Brownsville and Matamoras by Gilbert Philen on Saturday afternoon.

Harry P. Hornby, collector of customs for this district, Friday forwarded a radiogram he received from the treasury department to Col. W. E. Talbot, Chamber of Commerce manager.

It stated, "Letter follows to advise seizure of vehicles not required in

cases of technical violations, or those involving negligible quantities of merchandise with no aggravating circumstances."

Two Boys Accused Of Petty Stealing

MCALLEN—Two Latin-American boys, 11 and nine years old, were paroled to their parents by Justice of the Peace T. J. Powell Saturday after being arrested on charges of petty theft.

Chief of Police Noah Cannon said the boys were brought to the police station by merchants. Toy pistols and pencils were recovered where they had been hidden in the College Heights addition to McAllen. Cannon said the articles were valued at about 70 cents.

On The Air

Baptist Services To Be Broadcast

HARLINGEN—Rev. Douglas Carver, pastor of the First Baptist Church, announced Saturday he would conduct an hour's broadcast each Sunday, from 11 to 12 noon, over radio station KGFI, Harlingen.

Reverend Carver said he had designed the program of sermon and music primarily for shut-ins who would have no opportunity to attend church.

"The Mexican pineapples are shipped to the Hawaiian product because crops are rotated in the southern republic," the manager asserted. "The same land is used year after year in Hawaii; hence the quality is not as good."

The recent bean pack was very successful, said Carlton, "as high a quality as ever packed in the Southwest." The markets stiffened last week and the pack generally met with favorable conditions.

"I believe the canning industry in the Valley will reach enormous proportions," the manager declared. "The development and use of canned goods has doubled in the last 10 years."

Carlton came to McAllen from Fort Worth, where he was head of the "M" system of grocery stores. The McAllen plant was purchased some time ago from S. L. Miller and the City State Bank and Trust Company.

Texas Sales Tax To Be spotlighted In '40 Campaign, Said

AUSTIN—Rep. Albert Derden for governor was viewed here Saturday night as strengthening the possibility that the general sales tax will be the principal issue in the approaching campaign.

Whether it will speed Governor W. Lee O'Daniel's disclosure of his intentions in regard to seeking renomination was a subject of speculation. Nearly all observers believe O'Daniel will try for the traditional second term but he has said nothing definite on the matter.

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RFC FINANCES ASSIST SEVEN WATER UNITS

Over Seven Millions Loaned In Valley

McALLEN—Seven Valley irrigation districts have received approximately \$7,928,240.34 in loans and grants from the Public Works Administration for improving and expanding their systems, according to figures compiled here Saturday.

The loans totaled \$6,210,000, of which \$6,060,000 is still outstanding. Outright grants reached \$1,718,240.34.

Biggest loan and grant went to the Willacy County Irrigation District, which received a loan of \$3,663,000 and a grant of \$890,000 March 14, 1934. Still outstanding as of Jan. 1, 1940 was \$3,610,000. The district defaulted a \$25,000 March, 1939, principal payment.

The Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No. 7 at Mission received a loan of \$423,000 and a grant of \$33,000 Jan. 1, 1934. Still owing is \$373,000, with no defaults.

The PWA loaned \$400,000 to Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 at Edinburg, with eight grants totaling \$101,550.34. Outstanding is \$373,000, with no defaults.

Hidalgo County Water Improvement District No. 2 at San Juan received a loan of \$1,760,000 and a grant of \$432,430. Outstanding is \$1,000,000, with no defaults.

A loan of \$100,000 went to Hidalgo County Water Improvement District No. 6 at Engelmann Gardens north of Elsa, and a grant of \$30,000. Still outstanding is \$94,000, with no defaults.

Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No. 6 at Mission received a loan of \$305,000 and a grant of \$94,000. Still owing is \$282,000, with no defaults.

The PWA loaned \$379,000 to the Donna Irrigation District and granted \$137,280. The amount outstanding is \$339,000, with no defaults.

Gains Shown

Seaboard Life Shows 1939 Increase

HARLINGEN—Emmett O. Anglin, Valley district manager for the Seaboard Life Insurance Company, in reviewing activity of his company during 1939, said here Saturday that as usual, the firm made substantial gains in insurance in force and in assets.

Anglin said he felt the Seaboard Company has an outstanding record in investments, since the company has never had a bond in default nor a real estate loan in arrears. The Rio Grande Valley agency for the company made a very nice record during 1939, Anglin added, and plans are being made to an even better year in 1940.

Anglin is one of Harlingen's pioneer citizens, having lived here for 30 years. He was engaged in banking business for some 10 years before entering the insurance business. He is a member of the Commodore Club and the President's Cabinet, honor organization of the Seaboard Company, according to Burke Baker, company president. Membership in these clubs is gained only through exceptional production.

Rural Housing For Brownsville Urged

BROWNSVILLE—Application for a rural housing project in the Brownsville environs was made Friday by Mrs. Volney W. Taylor, chairman of the Brownsville Housing Authority.

Mrs. Taylor said a survey would be launched immediately to determine the amount of money necessary for the work, which would be located within a five-mile radius of Brownsville. The application was forwarded to Marshall W. Amis, Fort Worth regional director of the United States Housing Authority.

Harlingen Building Permits Increasing

HARLINGEN—New construction in Harlingen leaped to \$7,250 for January Friday, with issuance of permits totaling \$2,045. Building Inspector R. P. Bledsoe said.

Permit was issued to J. R. Collins for construction of a frame residence, 30 by 32, estimated to cost \$2,000; and to W. C. Barnes for building of one room to cost \$45. Nine permits had been issued to Friday, Bledsoe said.

Fort Brown Troops May Return Soon

BROWNSVILLE—Unofficial reports Friday indicated Valley troops stationed at Fort Bliss for winter maneuvers would be returned to Fort Brown here and to Fort Ringgold, Rio Grande City, about February 1.

Major John R. Thornton, in command of the Fort Brown skeleton force, said "no such information" had been received at the garrison.

Willacy Nazarenes Plan Zone Rally

RAYMONDVILLE—A Zone Rally of the Nazarene Church was held in Raymondville on Saturday. Representatives from churches throughout the Valley attended the all-day meeting.

Sunday night services will close the evangelistic services that have been held for the past two weeks under the leadership of Rev. E. D. Messer of the Nazarene Church in McAllen.

TAX COLLECTOR DIES

LUBBOCK—Sam W. McFee, 59, of Ralls, former tax collector of Fannin county, died Thursday night of a heart ailment.

Premiums For Fair

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is a partial list of premiums to be offered at the Valley Mid-Winter Fair. Other premiums for various departments will be printed daily in The Valley Morning Star.

FLORAL EXHIBIT

General Rules

1. Each exhibitor is placed upon his or her honor in the matter of being eligible for the class or classes in which they are entered.

2. Exhibits must be ready for the judges at 2:00 p.m., January 23.

3. Only committee staging the exhibition will be allowed in hall or building during staging of the show prior to judging. Exhibitors will deliver their entries to the receiving committee at the door.

4. When the number of plants or flowers in any class is fixed, the exhibition of any greater or less number disqualifies.

5. Friday morning will be set aside for the renewal or refreshening of any entries.

6. After the entries are arranged they will be under the exclusive charge of the Flower Show Management and not even the owner shall have the right to remove them until after the exhibition is closed at which time each exhibitor will be checked out.

7. All exhibitors must be at the tent Monday, January 29, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to receive ribbons, containers and other properties.

Garden Club Division

Mrs. O. E. Stuart, Chairman

1. Garden Club members will be permitted to enter exhibits in the open Amateur Class, but are not eligible for sweep stake prizes in open Amateur Class.

2. Flowers entered by Garden Club members must be grown by themselves, except in all Class B entries; however, flowers must be Valley grown.

3. Not more than one entry in a class shall be made by any member.

4. Each club will be responsible for its own receiving and staging committees which must not exceed four. This committee will receive and place the exhibits of its club.

5. Under the classification of Entries all clubs will compete against each other.

Cash prizes of \$20.00, \$15.00, \$10.00, and \$5.00 will be given to the four clubs accumulating the most points.

I. Totals number of points won by club members on entries:

1st Prize 5 points—Blue Ribbon

2nd Prize 3 points—Red Ribbon

3rd Prize 2 points—Yellow Ribbon

II. Arrangement of display area. Any additional decorative plants or material may be used.

1st Prize 50 points

2nd Prize 35 points

3rd Prize 25 points

4th Prize 15 points

III. 10 points—Correct and Suitable labeling. All entries will be judged for cultural perfection or artistry and scored as follows:

(A) Cultural Perfection 15

Foliage 15

Size 15

Substance 10

Color 10

(B) Artistry—

The addition of 1 to 3 different kinds of flowers is permissible in this class, but Primary line of flowers should follow the entry specifications.

Proportion and Balance 25

Design and Originality 25

Color Combination 20

Relation to Container 20

Condition 10

Classification Of Entries

Roses

1. (A) 3 Roses—any color.

2. (B) Arrangement of not more than 12 Roses.

3. (B) Best Display of Polyantha Roses.

4. (A) 3 Spike—Any color.

5. (B) Artistic Arrangement of 12 to 18 Spikes.

6. (A) 1 Bloom—Single.

7. (A) 1 Bloom—Double.

8. (B) Artistic Arrangement—5 to 12 Blooms.

Bougainvillea

9. (B) Artistic arrangement—purple.

10. (B) Artistic arrangement—red.

11. (B) Artistic arrangement—rust.

12. (B) Flowering shrub or tree.

13. (B) Flowering vines.

Annual Flowers

All flowers entered in this class must be grown and arranged by Garden Club members, although they will be judged for arrangement.

14. (B) Calendula

15. (B) Daisies

16. (B) Marigold—African

17. (B) Marigold—French

18. (B) Nasturtium

19. (B) Snapdragons

20. (B) Sweet Peas

21. (B) Zinnia

22. (B) Pansies

Junior Garden Clubs

Mrs. George Krumb, Chairman

Cash prizes of \$5.00, \$3.00 and \$2.00 to be given to the three individuals receiving most points.

Judged:—

1. Any Valley grown flowers in arrangement—must be arranged by exhibitor.

2. Miniature arrangement.

Commercial Florists

George Fletcher, Jr., Chairman

Cash prizes of \$25.00, \$15.00 and \$10.00 will be given to three receiving most points.

To be judged for the following:

30—Staging and arranging of arena.

30—Artistic arrangement and effect.

25—Quality of blooms.

10—Suitability and quality of plant material and other accessories.

5—Correct and suitable labeling.

May display any flowers, plants or material used by his establishment.

Open Amateur Class

Mrs. Frank Grimsell and Mrs. S. M. Harvey, Co-chairmen

Open to all amateurs who grow flowers for pleasure.

Exhibitors may use vases, bowls or baskets.

A committee will receive and place exhibits.

1. Cash prize of \$10.00, \$6.00 and \$4.00 to the three individuals accumulating the greatest number of first prize points.

1st Prize 5 points

2nd Prize 3 points

3rd Prize 2 points

2. Prizes will be given as follows to every class:

1st Prize 50 cents—Blue Ribbon

2nd Prize Ribbon

3rd Prize Ribbon

Classification

Roses

1. (A) 3 Roses—any color.

2. (B) Artistic arrangement 6 to 12 Roses.

Gladioli

3. (A) 3 Spikes—any color.

4. (B) Artistic arrangement 6 to 18 Spikes.

Poinsettias

5. (A) 3 Blooms—Single.

6. (A) 3 Blooms—Double.

7. (B) Artistic arrangement 5 to 12 Blooms.

Bougainvillea

8. (B) Artistic arrangement—any color.

9. (B) Artistic arrangement—native flowers or shrubs.

10. (B) Artistic arrangement—Berries.

Annual Flowers

11. (B) Calendula.

12. (B) Daisies

13. (B) Marigold—African.

Sunday, January 14, 1940

VALLEY SUNDAY STAR-MONITOR-HERALD

Ten School Bands To Lead Parade Of States At Valley Mid-Winter Fair

CAMPIONSHIP GROUP FROM WESLACO DUE

Big Crowd Expected At Unique Event

HARLINGEN — Parade of the States to open the Valley Mid-winter Fair here on Tuesday morning, January 23, will not lack for music with 10 Valley high school bands already promised and at least three more expected to enter the parade, according to Judge Merton Murray, Lions club chairman for the parade.

In addition to the Harlingen A and B bands, under Director Phil Murray, school bands have accepted the invitation of the committee and are coming from Raymondville, Lyford, San Benito, Los Fresnos, La Feria, Mission, Mercedes and Weslaco.

Free Concert

In addition to participating in the Parade of the States on the opening day of the fair, the Weslaco State high school championship band will give a free concert in municipal auditorium at Fair Park at 3 p. m. on Sunday, January 28, closing day of the fair, Murray announced.

The parade itself is expected to attract a record crowd for the Rio Grande Valley, since it is to be entered with 13 floats now under construction, representing the 48 states, the District of Columbia and Canada. A duchess is to be elected from each of the states by the tourists. The duchess must be a bona-fide tourist in the Valley and there is no age limit.

Queen Orange will be chosen from the duchesses, the honor to be given to the duchess receiving the highest number of votes. She will be privileged to choose her own King Grapefruit, so long as she does not select her husband, fair officials have decreed.

Lions In Charge

Members of the local Lions Club have charge of arrangements for the parade and now state they believe fully 500 or more automobiles will be entered in the parade, since every tourist in the Valley has been invited to enter his car, to follow immediately after the float representing his state.

All floats are being built by the Mid-Winter Fair Association and there will be no charge made for tourists to enter the parade.

Parish Called

Vestrymen Election Is Due Sunday

BROWNSVILLE — The annual parish meeting of the Church of the Advent here will be held Sunday at 4 p. m. at the parish house, the Rev. Penrose W. Hirst, rector, announced Saturday.

Four vestrymen are to be elected for a term of three years, and five delegates will be chosen to the Diocesan council which meets January 21-23 in Corpus Christi.

Following adjournment, the woman's auxiliary will serve sandwiches and coffee at a social hour.

Vestrymen retiring in 1940 are: A. K. Black, J. T. Canales, E. M. Dierlam and S. S. Nye. All communicants in good standing over 21 years of age are entitled to vote.

All nominations for vestrymen will be made from the floor. Reports and other parish business will be heard.

Rio Grande City Bank Directorate Wins Re-Election

RIO GRANDE CITY — Directors were re-elected here last week as stockholders of the First State Bank and Trust Company held their annual meeting.

The directorate includes H. P. Guerra, president; F. D. Guerra, vice president; Medardo Jimenez, chairman; Juan Hinjoza and C. T. Vale. In addition to these, officers include B. A. Spillar, vice president and cashier; and J. A. Garza, assistant cashier.

Capital structure of the bank was set out as follows: Capital, \$50,000; surplus, \$5,000; debentures, \$15,000; undivided profits, \$7,826.69; and deposits, \$378,736.89.

Incarnate Academy Will Give Annual Event January 26

BROWNSVILLE — The annual entertainment of the Incarnate Word Academy, usually given in early spring, will be held Friday, January 26, at the Junior College auditorium, ante dating the 87th anniversary of the school March 7.

The children of the primary and pre-primary classes will take part in an action song "Little Lads and Lasses Gay."

The second, third, fourth and fifth grades will present "The Princess Has a Birthday," a toy orchestra operetta.

The sixth and seventh grades will offer "Who Is Nancy?" and a folk dance and song.

Valley Visitor Is Injured In Crash

McALLEN — Mrs. J. T. Walthall of San Antonio and a friend, Mrs. Lemons of the same city, were injured Saturday in an auto crash near Corpus Christi while en route to McAllen to visit Mrs. Walthall's sister, Mrs. David Taylor.

They were confined to a Corpus Christi hospital. No reports on their conditions were available here.

Mrs. Walthall owns a winter home at Pharr.

900 - Year - Old Cypress Tree Saved When Cabinet - Maker Ignored Sale

Hidalgo Tree May Be Largest, Oldest In Valley

By MINNIE GILBERT

MISSION — Lack of interest on the part of a cabinet maker saved destruction of a 900-year-old cypress tree, the biggest and probably the oldest tree in the Valley. If there should be an increase in demand for cabinet wood, it is more than possible that a landmark that must once have stood in a swampy area will topple 50 feet to earth in a heavy mesquite thicket southwest of Mission.

Age of the tree, estimated by J. E. Pittman, Pharr, landscape engineer for the State Highway Department, is based upon the diameter of the tree trunk which is 90 inches. Scientists have reported that the Southern cypress (*Taxodium distichum*) increases its diameter by an inch every 10 years. The venerable tree has a spread of about 75 feet.

It is growing near the Abram settlement on the old Military highway at a point five miles west and about three miles west of Mission. The owner of the land on which it is located recently went to Mission to seek a buyer for a tree but his price of \$15 was refused by the cabinet-maker.

THE WEATHER

The Valley: Partly cloudy and much colder Sunday; Monday fair and slightly warmer. Strong northwesterly winds, diminishing Sunday night.

Oklahoma: Fair, colder east tomorrow; Monday fair, colder east and central portions.

Arizona and New Mexico: Fair Sunday and Monday with little change in temperature.

West Texas: Fair Sunday and Monday, colder south portions and in Panhandle Sunday.

East Texas: Partly cloudy and much colder Sunday; Monday fair and slightly warmer. Strong northwesterly winds on the coast, diminishing Sunday night.

The Tides

High tides Sunday 5:20 a.m.; 7:00 p.m. Low tides Sunday 12:39 a.m.; 12:00 noon.

The tabular gives for the 24 hours ending at 6:30 a. m. C.S.T. yesterday.

STATIONS High last night station

24 hours last night (inches)

Arlene 55 42 .00

Albuquerque 52 34 .00

Alton 44 42 .04

Austin 61 41 .00

Boston 30 .34 .09

Chicago 30 .28 .00

Cincinnati 37 .35 .00

Cleveland 66 .58 .00

Corpus Christi 66 .39 .00

Dallas 65 .47 .00

Denver 59 .15 .00

Dodge City 62 .21 .00

El Paso 63 .53 .00

Fort Smith 42 .33 .00

Helena 25 .15 .03

Houston 68 .46 .00

Jacksonville 72 .58 .00

Kansas City 27 .18 .00

Las Angeles 65 .51 .00

Memphis 40 .35 .00

Miami 78 .67 .00

Mobile, S.C.P. 10 .51 .00

New Orleans 68 .46 .00

Norfolk 44 .36 .00

North Platte 24 .14 .00

Oklahoma City 40 .38 .00

Palestine 70 .58 .00

Phoenix 29 .18 .00

St. Louis 38 .22 .00

Salt Lake City 38 .22 .00

San Antonio 68 .46 .00

Sheridan 27 .-1 .00

Shreveport 62 .44 .00

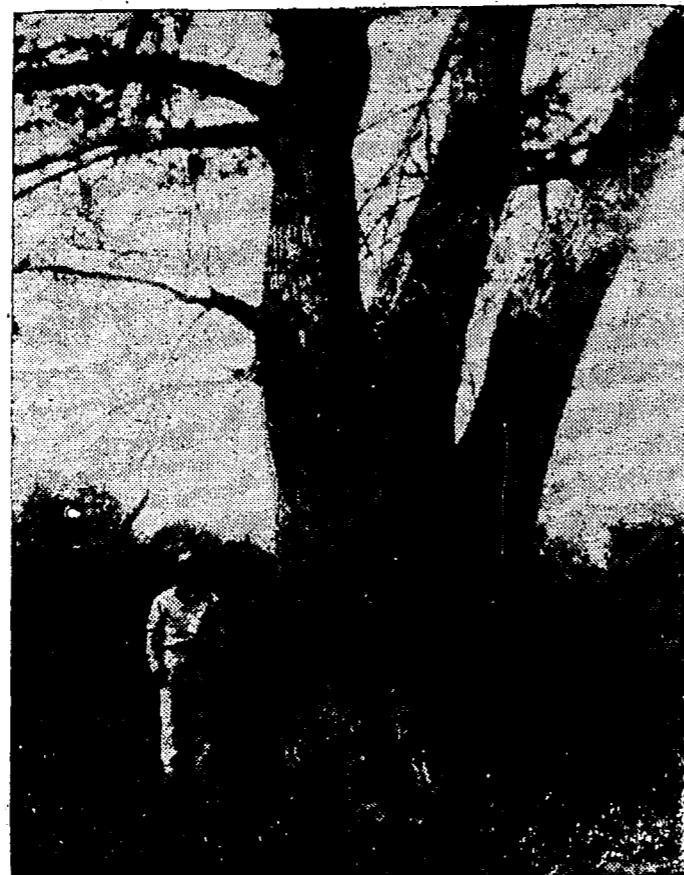
Spokane 59 .42 .00

Washington 38 .32 .02

Williston 20 .-1 .00

Wilmington 49 .41 .08

Winnebago 35 .14 .04



Grandaddy of all Valley trees, though very few cypress grow in this region, is the enormous Southern Cypress growing in the brush southwest of Mission. Its age is estimated at 900 years. Its immense size may be gauged by the height of the man pictured against its trunk. (Photo by Jim Pittman)

'Y' Better Do Right By Little Nell, You Cur'

Little Theatre's Riotous Show Will Play For Three Nights At Club Royale

McALLEN — "Heh, heh, meh proud beauteh, I'll have you and the house, too," sneers Villain Paul Moore while the audience hisses and jeers.

On account of the villain is about to foreclose on Little Nell's house and her pore ol' paw hasn't got the wherewithal to pay the bill ol' mortgage.

It's all part of "The Drunkard's Daughter," Moore's own opus which will be presented by the Valley Little Theatre at Club Royale east of McAllen Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights. The time is 8:15 p. m., but the club will be open at 7 p. m. to allow the audience to get mellow on beer."

"The Drunkard's Daughter" was first produced by Moore at Dallas and ran for six months. An old-fashioned, hilarious meller drammer, the five-act farce is particularly effective because of audience participation. The spectators hiss the villain, cheer for Little Nell and the hero, and even throw rolls at the performers.

The play will be presented in stage style. The audience will sit at tables and will be able to eat and drink during the entire performance. An olio will be presented after the play.

Valley Movies

North, Midwest To See Pictures

McALLEN — Four hundred feet of colored motion pictures with prominent scenes in McAllen and Upper Valley as their subject were taken Saturday by C. H. Britton, Jr., to be used in publicizing this area in the North and Middlewest during the summer season.

Taken at the request of Dr. D. D. Rider of Minneapolis, Minn., national dental lecturer, the picture will be shown by the Minnesota doctor during lecture tours scheduled to be made during the spring and summer.

Cost of the pictures will be borne

by the McAllen Chamber of Commerce with young Britton donating his services.

COTTON

Wacona The ideal cotton for the irrigated sections of the Rio Grande Valley. Close jointed, large bolls, easy to pick yet storm-proof, high field yield and the most desirable staple.

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Lankart Bred Seed Farms Waco, Texas

Some printing firms now use rubber plates for printing on wax paper, corrugated boxes, burlap and cloth sacks, and transparent wrap-

MERCEDES TO SLICE RATES

Electric Reduction Is Given By CPL

MERCEDES — The Mercedes City Commission has voted to accept the Central Power and Light Company electric rates, which will mean a substantial reduction in electric bills for local consumers.

Effective by February 1st, the domestic service schedule will be based on a \$1.00 net per month rate for the first 11 kilowatt hours or fraction thereof, with a reducing scale effective for electricity used above the minimum. This schedule is available to residences, individual family apartments, and private rooming houses for all residential uses of electric service.

A new commercial service schedule will also be effective soon with \$1.00 per month for the first 11 kilowatt hours or fraction thereof being the minimum charge. A reducing scale will be used for above minimum consumption, it was brought out.

Edinburg Man Fined On Traffic Charges

McALLEN — Manuel de la Garza Reyna of Edinburg was charged with three violations of traffic laws in Justice of the Peace T. J. Powell's court Saturday. He was fined \$5 and costs (\$14) on one count and \$5 and costs (\$14) on each of the other two complaints.

Reyna's driving license was suspended for six months. The arrest was made by State Patrolman C. D. Mussey.

San Antonio Picked For Farmers Parley

DALLAS — (AP) — The Texas Agricultural Workers Association Saturday selected San Antonio for its next convention and Eugene Butler of Dallas, its next president.

O'Daniel Appoints Successor To Tatum

AUSTIN — (AP) — Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel said Saturday he had appointed District Attorney James Witherspoon of Hereford to succeed Reece Tatum, district judge at Dalhart, who died recently.

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WOMEN'S TOURNEY OPENS WEDNESDAY



by E.C. "Doc" Osborn.

Large Entry List Assured Annual Event

Mrs. McClendon Will Defend Title

HARLINGEN — Handsome gold and silver trophies for winners and runners-up in the Sixth Annual Lower Rio Grande Valley Women's Championship golf tournament are on display in the Harlingen golf course club house, inspiring women golfers to get in their qualifying scores before the deadline, Tuesday evening. Centering the display is the attractive Kirkland trophy, the annual award to medalist. Winner of this honor will be determined Tuesday after all scores for qualifiers have been turned in and the lowest score checked.

Qualifying Day

For several years we have had a plan in mind that might work and one that would give the Valley a sports program that would not be equalled in the state. In fact we believe it could not fail to accomplish its objective.

No doubt you have either heard the writer discuss this personally or have read about it in this column. In case you haven't, we will, as briefly as possible, give you some of the highlights of our plan with the hope that you think it over seriously.

We would like to see the Rio Grande Valley Sports Association formed.

This organization would have as its membership every real sports fan in the Valley. And we do not have in mind a membership of a few hundred. We think there should be no less than 5,000 members and 10,000 would be much better.

First off, you probably would be interested in what the annual dues to such an association would be. We believe they should be \$1 per year.

Each city in the Valley would be asked to form its own chapter. This would facilitate the organization plans, primarily to obtain members and collect dues. From each city's membership would come one member of the board of directors.

It would be the duty of the board of directors to name the officers of the association and to handle and disburse all funds of the association. Naturally the local boards would follow as closely as possible the dictates of their local membership.

Next we feel you might be interested in the purpose of organizing such an association. That is simple—to promote any sports events in the Rio Grande Valley.

For instance:

Stage an annual golf tournament that would bring the leading pros to this section.

Lend every possible aid to those sports events which are now annual affairs in the Valley. Such as—the Charro Days regatta at Brownsville; the fishing rodeo at Port Isabel; any other event now on the Valley program.

Make a concentrated effort to bring basketball clubs to the Valley for spring training, giving assurance of financial aid to any city sponsoring a club in securing guarantees.

Stage a Bowl football game. With all sights trained on the future rather than the first venture of this kind.

Stage an annual tennis tournament.

Be prepared to invite various sports associations to hold their annual meeting in the Rio Grande Valley. For instance—the Texas High School Coaches Association with its big game played in connection with the coaching school.

Be prepared to sponsor the state high school baseball Tournament. And the state basketball tournament.

Be prepared to sponsor a semi-pro baseball tournament.

No doubt there are many, many other worthy sports events that we have failed to mention.

It should be understood that a membership in the association would not entitle members to attend these events free of charge. Members would be expected to purchase tickets the same as everyone else. The money derived from the membership dues would be used simply as a guarantee fund, to be used in case of any deficit arising from the promotion of any sports event.

There is one thing we would be very interested in finding out. What is YOUR reaction to such an association? Do you think the plan feasible? Do you think it a worthwhile plan?

The only way we can find out is for as many of your sports fans who are interested in bringing real sports events to the Valley to give us your opinions and reactions.

Your letters would be appreciated and will be published in this column. And it is up to YOU. No one person could promo's such an organization—it would have to be done with the support of EVERY sports fan in the Valley.

In closing the first time we mentioned this plan in this column, we received several one dollar bills. They were kept because the senders refused to accept them back, saying they were sure an association of this kind would be formed some day and they wanted to be the first to sign up.

PHOENIX TOURNEY — Prizes totaling \$3,000 were posted Saturday for the second annual Phoenix golf tournament which will be played at the country club course Feb. 2, 3 and 4.

A rain crop is not a crow nor is a water thrush a thrush, a night hawk a hawk nor a water-turkey a turkey.

Schoolboy Gridiron Coaches Will Hold Meet At Austin

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF
ATHENS, Tex.—(P)—Austin was selected by the executive committee of the Texas High School Football Coaches Association Saturday as the site of the seventh annual coaching school.

The school—known as the world's largest—will be held from August 4 to 10.

The committee had not obtained the school instructors but hoped to finish up this business over the week-end. Contacts have been made

but decisions from the coaches offered the pasts have not been received.

Indications were that Major Bob Neyland, coach of the University of Tennessee, would head the staff of instructors.

Many Want School

Bidding for the school were representatives from Dallas, Fort Worth, Tyler, Mineral Wells, Kerrville and Austin. Kerrville's bid, however, was made only on the possibility that the school would be given a permanent location.

The committee, which met Friday night and for several hours Saturday, reached no decision on what it would do regarding opposition to the new 18-year age limit to be invoked next season by the Interscholastic League.

This item of business was tabled but it was learned this did not mean the association had abandoned its efforts toward getting the rule repealed.

The point was stressed, however, that no organized fight was being made on the Interscholastic League but that the rule had been submitted to a vote of some 400 coaches and superintendents in an effort to show the general sentiment as a guide for the Interscholastic League to follow. The rule was invoked without a referendum vote among the member schools.

All Star Players

Plans were made for selection of 48 boys who finished their high school eligibility last season to play in the annual All-Star game, as a feature of the coaching school program.

The state was divided into regions that take in areas such as used in the basketball plan. Each region committee will turn in 12 nominations to the region chairman.

The chairman turns these nominations over to general committees by February 10 and 24 boys are selected for each side, 24 representing the Northern section of the league football plan and a like number for the South section.

The general committees are:

South—Buddy Savage, Benumon, chairman; Leo Mitchell, Yocum, Clyde Park, Fort Stockton, and Buck Barr, Kinsville.

North—Ted Jeffries, Wichita Falls, chairman; P. E. Showalter, Longview; Harry Taylor, San Angelo, and J. G. Keves, Lubbock.

Nominations are made from eight regions.

D. X. Bile, coach of the University of Texas and a member of the National rules committee, said the rules of intercollegiate football next season would limit the quarters of high school games to twelve minutes.

The Interscholastic League plays under these rules so the twelve-minute limit will apply to Texas. This rule was abandoned to better equalize play for teams with small squads against larger ones and cut down on injuries.

Hutchison Leads Senior Golfers

SARASOTA, Fla.—(P)—Jock Hutchison, former U. S. Open and British Open golf champion, treated himself to a one under par 71 Saturday to lead the National PGA Seniors tournament at the half-way mark.

The Golf, Ill., veteran, who won the Seniors' title two years ago, carded a 36 on the outgoing nine over the North Shore Country Club course and then came home with a 35.

Two strokes back was Fred Miley of Cincinnati, father of Marion Miley, the feminine links star, who took a 73.

Freddie McLeod of Chevy Chase, Md., the defending champion, and Richard Clarkson of Knoxville, Tenn., tied for third place with 74's.

Long Jim Barnes of West Orange, N. J., one time PGA and British Open titleholder, was far back of the pace setters with a 78.

The veteran pros, all more than 50 years of age, may find the going a bit faster Sunday when they move over to the par 70 Bobby Jones Municipal course for the final 18 holes.

Scores of the first round leaders included:

Willie Maguire, Houston, 39-37-76.

Announcement was made Saturday of the election of Dave Ogilvie of Harry Danning, 28, catcher for the New York Giants of the National League, and Deanne Nygard, 25, New York City, was disclosed by officials Saturday.

Ladies Day' Golf Date Is Changed

BROWNSVILLE — Invitations are being mailed out to golfers in all parts of the Valley inviting participants in the Charro Days Scotch tournament which is scheduled for Sunday, January 28, over the Brownsville Country Club course.

All Valley golfing couples are welcome to take part in this tournament—the first of its kind—which promises to be one of the largest Scotch events of the year.

Brownsville Country Club officials announced Saturday night a slight entry fee would be charged and the fee would take care of both the Scotch play and the luncheon that follows the rounds. The entry fee will be announced later.

The tournament is scheduled for the Sunday immediately preceding the Charro Days celebration here, February 1 to 5. A record entry list is expected.

Charro Days Golf Tourney

Event To Be Held At Brownsville

TOTALS 21 12 20 54

Half-time score: Arkansas 29, Texas 27.

Free throws missed: Hull 2, Granville 4, Moore, Spears, Kutner, Finley, Pitts, Frieberger, Hickey 3, O. Adams 4.

Referee: Jack Sisco, Baylor; umpire: Carl Sears, Central Missouri.

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'Ladies Day' Golf Date Is Changed

BROWNSVILLE — The weekly Ladies' Day at the Brownsville Country Club course—on which all women golfers are guests of the course for the day—has been changed from Tuesday to Thursday, effective this week, club officials announced.

Interest in the Ladies' Day affair is increasing week by week, the officials reported. Proceeding the start of play at 9 a. m. each Thursday, Zell Eaton, Oklahoma professional champion and Country Club course pro, gives group golfing instruction to the feminine devotees present.

Two strokes back was Fred Miley of Cincinnati, father of Marion Miley, the feminine links star, who took a 73.

Virtually the same team, with the exception of Dandy Dick Todd, great climax runner, reported this year and Norton, changing his tactics, drove through to the finest season in A. & M. football history.

Complaints that Norton, a sick man for two years, wasn't making the proper contact with his boys vanished when he started sitting on the bench with the squad at each game and destroyed a makeshift tower he had used during his illness. Norton, in '38, sat atop a 25 foot tower and directed daily practice through a loudspeaker.

Norton was graduated from Birmingham-Southern College in 1916, starring in four major sports. He played professional baseball before becoming head coach at Centenary College in 1920. Two years later he became line coach under Bo McMillin and was again made head coach in 1926.

Norton's Centenary teams wrecked Southwest Conference squads for years before he was chosen to succeed Matty Bell as head coach at Texas A. & M. in 1934. He had three undefeated teams at Centenary, two coming in 1932 and 1933, just before his switch to the Aggies.

In 15 years of head coaching, Norton's teams have won 93, lost 42 and tied 15. His Aggies teams have won 33, lost 23 and tied six.

The Vols have an open date on November 16, which head coach Eob Neyland said would be filled with a team "satisfactory to all concerned."

Tennessee's schedule at present includes: September 28, Mercer here; October 5, Duke here; October 12, Chattanooga here; October 19, Alabama, at Birmingham; October 26, Florida, here; November 2, Louisiana State here; November 9, Southern Western at Memphis; November 16, open; November 23, Kentucky here; November 30, Vanderbilt at Nashville.

The 1941-42 schedule for the Buckeyes, given final approval, included two-year agreements with the University of Southern California and Pittsburgh and the return to Missouri to the Ohio schedule in 1940 and Indiana in 1942.

The 1941 schedule listed the Southern California game for October 4 at Los Angeles. In 1942, Southern California will play here October 10.

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Other than the No. 1 men, the ratings of boxers in the various classes were in the following order:

Labor Commissioner Ranks State's Leather Pushers

AUSTIN—(P)—Houston, Laredo, Dallas, San Antonio and Sweetwater divided top honors Saturday in State Labor Commissioner Joe Kunschik's ranking of Texas boxers on the basis of their records in 1939.

Kunschik, who supervises boxing, placed Buddy Scott of Dallas at the top of the heavyweight class, Jimmy Webb of Houston, light heavyweight; Billy Pryor of Houston, middleweight; Kenny LaSalle of Houston, welterweight; Lew Jenkins of Sweetwater, lightweight; Marcelina De La Rosa (K. O. Box) of Laredo, featherweight; Gasimiro Sanchez of San Antonio, bantamweight; and Joe Torres of Laredo, flyweight.

Shearer and Ball of the Aviators placed 534 and 537 respectively but the quint failed to click against the invading Hub City five. R. Armstrong was high for the Outlaws.

Harlingen 790 819 820—242 Aviators 766 785 825—237

In the Oilers-Mechanics game Ford was tops with a 523 series and Perkins took high honors for the garage men with a 50% for the three games. The Oilers won two out of three games.

Oilers 812 840 771—245 Mechanics 817 788 860—248

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Norton Signs Five-Year Contract

Aggie Mentor Also Handed Salary Boost

Apparently Out Of Doghouse

COLLEGE STATION, Tex.—(P)—Mild Homer Norton, a man who strode from the doghouse to the top of the football coaching heap in four months with a great Texas A. & M. team, Saturday signed a new five-year contract.

Formerly approved and rewarded

by the same athletic council that only last season pondered the thought of dismissing him before the '38 schedule had been completed,

Norton got a lusty salary increase and the security he demanded.

The contract was dated Sept. 1, 1940 to extend through the playing season of 1945.

Tough Schedule

Simultaneously came the report that Norton, with eight of this year's No. 1 ranking team and Sugar Bowl kings returning next year, would play one of football's roughest schedules.

Although the schedule was not completed, it was announced the Aggies would play the University of California and Ohio State in addition to the usual suicidal Southwest Conference schedule.

Previously, Norton had intimated the Aggies would play a light schedule in 1940.

No definite salary figures were cited after the Aggie board of directors approved Norton's new contract, but it was believed the veteran, of 20 years coaching signed at a figure in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

Board members expressed gratification at securing Norton.

"So far as I'm concerned," the coach said, "I'm very happy and am not interested in a job anywhere besides A. &

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VALLEY SUNDAY STAR-MONITOR-HERALD

RAYMONDVILLE CAGERS 'HOG' TOURNAMENT

Wrap Up Two Title Games At La Feria

Final Events Draw Large Crowd

By E. C. (Doc) OSBORN

LA FERIA — Raymondville's basketballers walked away with the Ninth Annual La Feria Lettermen's Club basketball tournament which came to a thrilling close Saturday afternoon.

The Bearcats won the senior high school championship by trimming the Mercedes Tigers 31 to 20 and the Bearkittens annexed the junior high school title when they defeated the Edinburg juniors, 16 to 12. The Bearcats are coached by Don Hightower and the Bearkittens by "Pop" Smith. It was Coach Hightower's first shot at a Valley cage title and the veteran "Pop" came through after making many real bids for top honors.

La Feria won the high school consolation championship by defeating Edcouch-Elsa, 28 to 16, and Donna won the junior high school consolation when they downed Cyford, 35 to 10.

Bearcats Beat Tigers

In the high school title scrap, Gilliland, Raymondville center, took scoring honors with 10 points, his teammate Taylor, close behind with eight. Hickman scored seven points for Mercedes. The Bearcats took an early lead and were never headed, the score standing 25 to 4 in their favor at the half. The Tigers made a fast finish but were never able to close the big scoring gap.

The junior high school final battle was a hard-fought one all the way. At the half the Raymondville quintet led, 8 to 4, and were ahead, 13 to 7, at the end of the third quarter. McClelland, Edinburg guard, and Callaway, Raymondville forward, shared high score honors, each accounting for five tallies. Edinburg missed 10 free throws and Raymondville fell down on nine tries.

Following the final game, which was witnessed by a large crowd, Robert Simandl, president of the Lettermen's Club, awarded the trophies and awards. Trophies went to the first and second place winners in each division and gold baseballs to each member of the championship quintets. Silver baseballs were awarded players on the second place teams. Consolation winners were also awarded trophies and the captain of each placing team received an honor medal.

Officials who worked the game were: Mil Auld, Lyford, R. E. Morris and J. C. Loveorn, La Feria; Harold Vic, San Benito, C. L. Finch, Harlingen, Glynn Jones, Sharyland, and Jack Lewis, Santa Rosa.

Team Praised

C. E. (Tandy) Vail, tournament director, stated that the tournament was one of the smoothest ever held here and gave each coach and team a boost for the fine sportsmanship shown throughout the tourney.

Other results of Saturday's games were as follows: high school consolation—Los Fresnos 26, Brownsville 20; Edcouch-Elsa 32, Rio Hondo 20; La Feria 23, Pharr-San Juan-Alamo 20; La Joya 21, Wilson 24; Edcouch-Elsa 13, Los Fresnos 11 (two overtime periods); La Feria 26, Edcouch-Elsa 16. Championship—Mercedes 27, Edinburg 17; Raymondville 23, Harlingen 8.

Junior high school results: championship—Mercedes 19, Raymondville "B" 2; La Feria "A" 22, Edcouch-Elsa 11; Raymondville "A" 14, Brownsville B; McAllen 18, Mercedes 11; Edinburg 17, Pharr-San Juan-Alamo 10; Raymondville "A" 14, Edcouch-Elsa 8; Edinburg 27, McAllen 24. Consolation—Lyford 16, Weslaco 12; Raymondville "B" 9, La Feria "B" 7; Donna 23, Raymondville "B" 12.

Cougarets Win Over Port Isabel

BROWNSVILLE — Miss Mildred Hanna's El Jardin Cougarets routed a girls' basketball team from Port Isabel high school 55-4 at El Jardin Friday.

Meanwhile El Jardin boys were losing to the Rio Hondo team 42-24 at the La Rio Hondo tournament.

Scorers for El Jardin girls were Evelyn Wilkerson, 28 points; Anna Frey, 10; Rosemary Merrill, 4; Louise Limerick, 4. Other El Jardin players included Jean Hunter, center; Mary Elizabeth Baughman, right guard; Lois Martin, left guard; Corinne Walls, Doris Martin, Helida Rodriguez, Anita MacLoog, Marjorie Merrill.

The present one is Port Isabel's first girls' team, according to Miss Gillespie, coach. Her lineup included Carpenter, Holland—forwards; S. Hinjosa, center; B. Schmidt, Baumfelder—guards; Buff, Williams, W. Schmidt, W. Hinjosa. Williams scored all her team's points.

Miss Katherine Stephens was referee.

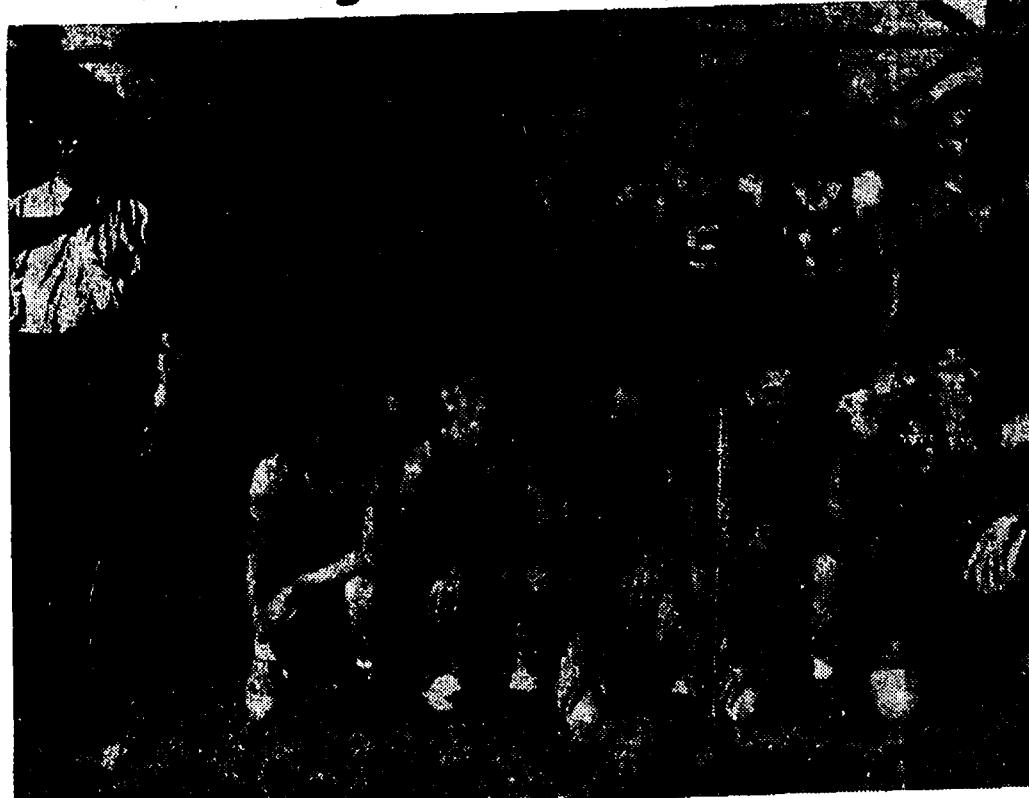
STUDENT RETURNS

EDINBURG—George Closer who is attending Texas A and M College, will be home for the weekend to act as best man to Roy E. Klossner in his wedding to Miss Betty Farnsworth of Donna, which will take place on Sunday, and to visit with his mother, Mrs. J. J. Closer and sister, Miss Annette.

VISITS SISTER

EDINBURG—Mrs. Earl Hollan visited with her sister, Mrs. Joe Baldridge, a few days, who returned to Harlingen with her to visit with her mother, Mrs. V. J. Koontz during the week-end. On Monday Mrs. Baldridge will return with Mrs. Hollan to her home in Victoria for a short visit.

Senior High School Cage Champs



Playing in championship form from start to finish, the Raymondville Bearcats won the championship of the high school division in the Ninth Annual La Feria Lettermen's basketball tournament. The Bearcats defeated the Mercedes Tigers, 31 to 20, in the title game. Pictured above are the new champions. Reading from left to right, front row, Severa Serna, Joe Allen Meyers, Kenneth Grier, Norvin Parr, Cecil Ledgerwood. Back row, Coach Don Hightower, Aldrin Gilliland, Lalo Bazan, Hoyt Taylor, J. D. Beecham, Edwin Graham, Leighton Anderson. (Staff Photo.)

Champion Junior High Cagers



Flashing their championship smiles, the Raymondville junior high school cagers are shown above just after they had downed the Edinburg juniors, 16 to 12, to win the championship of the junior high division of the La Feria Lettermen's Club cage tourney. Reading from left to right, front row, J. T. Palmer, Oscar Gonzaba, Lewis Castillo, Jimmy Callaway. Back row, Coach "Pop" Smith, Sam Dear, Bob Owen, Gene Venzke, Noc Pevers. (Staff Photo.)

Gene Venzke Noses Out

Cunningham In VFW Mile

BOSTON—(P)—After trailing a lone male field for seven of the ten laps, Gene Venzke of the New York A. C. came to life in amazing fashion Saturday night to gain a one-foot triumph over mighty Glenn Cunningham in a 4:13 mile.

The Kansas defeat, highlight of the Veterans of Foreign Wars meet before 10,000 spectators at Boston Garden, was his first on Boston boards in nine years' campaigning.

of North Texas Teachers, Archie San Romani, the other Kansas star, and Luigi Beccali, who provided Italy with the 1932 Olympic 1500 meters championship.

Venzke made an eleventh hour shift from the half mile, explaining to meet officials:

"I'm in the best shape of my career and I promise you that I'll win the mile if you permit me to start."

Charlie Beetham, New York's two-ply national champion, uncorked a terrific spurt that carried him to a three-yard victory over Indiana's Campbell Kane, the recent Sugar Bowl victor, in the All-Star half mile.

Well back all the way were the other competitors. Wayne Rideout

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Box Scores

LA FERIA—The La Feria Tournament high school championship box score:

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Raymondville	2	2	6
Parr, f.	2	3	7
Bazan, f.	0	0	0
Serna, f.	0	0	10
Gilliland, c.	5	0	8
Taylor, g.	4	0	0
Ledgerwood, g.	0	0	0
	13	5	31
Totals			
Mercedes	Fg. Ft. Tps.		
Dalton, f.	3	0	6
Eckman, f.	3	1	4
Plyant, c.	1	2	1
Crenshaw, g.	0	1	1
Settles, g.	0	0	2
Drawe, g.	1	0	2
	8	4	20
Totals			
Officials: Glynn Jones, referee; Jack Lewis, umpire.			

The junior high school championship box score:

	Fg.	Ft.	Tps.
Edinburg	1	0	2
Wise, f.	1	0	2
Crist, f.	1	0	0
Piggs, f.	0	0	0
Patterson, c.	0	0	0
Champion, c.	0	0	0
McClelland, g.	2	1	5
Walker, g.	0	1	1
Stout, g.	1	0	2
	5	2	12
Totals			
Raymondville	Fg. Ft. Tps.		
Dear, f.	0	0	0
Callaway, f.	2	1	5
Richmond, c.	2	0	2
Gonzaba, g.	1	0	2
Castillo, g.	0	0	0
Owen, g.	1	1	3
Powers, g.	1	0	0
	7	2	16
Officials: C. L. Fincher, referee; R. E. Morris, umpire.			

The Mustangs Fight Hard Throughout Game

DALLAS—(P)—Southern Methodist University's Mustangs put up

a game fight here Saturday night before bowing to the favored Rice

Owls in a conference basketball

game, 36 to 24, before 2,500 fans.

It was the third conference win

out of four starts, for the Owls,

and the second defeat in three games

for S. M. U.

The game was almost a repetition

of last year's contest here be-

tween the same teams when the

Mustangs won in the last 42 sec-

onds of play. Never figured to have

a chance against the owls this time,

the Mustangs tied the score five

times.

Virgil Wilerson of S. M. U. chalked

up fifteen points, four more than

Frank Carswell, Rice's great

guard.

S. M. U. hustled into an early

5 to 3 lead on Wilkerson's sharp-

shooting. Then Carswell and Levi

Craddock found the range and Rice

was leading 17 to 10 with about

four minutes left in the first half.

A Mustang spurt at this point, how-

ever, pulled them up within a point

of Rice, but the Owls staged an-

other scoring spree and the half

ended with the visitors leading 21

to 16.

Rice had a 15 to 12 lead at inter-

mission, but S. M. U. closed to 14.

As each team gets 35 per cent,

this would mean the New Year's af-

fray grossed Texas A. & M. and

Tulane some \$87,500 each. It was

estimated that \$75,000 remained in

the Bowl fund after the teams had

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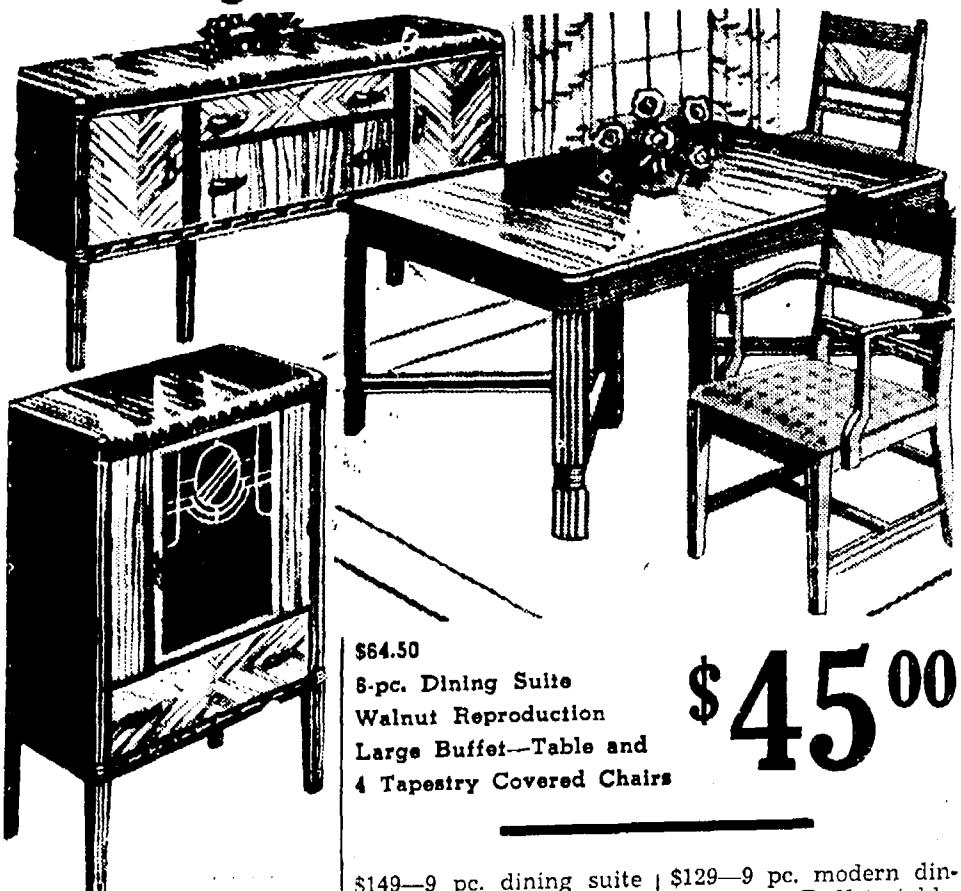
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We're mighty proud of this great Mid-Winter Clearance Sale, and we have hundreds of good reasons to be! Every corner of our store is jammed full of fine furniture which has been priced down to new lower levels for January Clear-A-Way! In addition to low prices, we are quoting extra easy terms to give you every opportunity to share in this grand Mid-Winter Clearance Sale.

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2-pc. Tapestry
Living Room
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Spring Filled
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\$87.50 2-Pc. Homespun TAPESTRY
very luxurious,
Choice of colors ... **\$69.00**

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\$169.50 2-Pc. Coronado Living
Room Suite, Homespun Covers ... **\$97.50**

\$169.50 Fashion Flow 2-Pc. Living
Room Suite, Egyptian Rose Cover ... **\$99.50**

Shed a cheerful light over the living
room and see the family gather
around their own hearth at night.
Silver and Ivory finished bases,
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cludes, 3-way junior lamp,
bridge lamp, and table
lamp

While They Last!

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For Fall! 3-Pc. Group

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Bedroom
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\$97.50 4-pc. Poster Bed-
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Choice of 2 vanities ...

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Close Out

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Suite, large vanities
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9 ft. wide 59c

Inlaid LINOLEUM \$1.49

Dance Given By Couples

BROWNSVILLE — Highlighting recent events was the dance at which three couples entertained about two hundred and fifty Saturday evening at the Brownsville Country Club.

Hosts were Mr. and Henry G. Kriessmann, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Hilliard, and Mr. and Mrs. Francis I. Jacobs.

They entertained between 9 and 1 o'clock at the club which had been transformed through the use of purple boughs.

Assisting them in host duties were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Thomas, Dr. and Mrs. James L. Rentiro, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Maxwell, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Pippinger, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Brundage, and Mr. and Mrs. William Price.

There were several enjoyable affairs before the dance.

Springtime Chosen As Wedding Date

McALLEN — Sometime in the spring Miss Jeanette McKenzie of McAllen and Woodrow Goldsmith of Harlingen will be married.

The engagement and approaching marriage of the young couple were announced Wednesday at a tea given by the bride-elect's sister, Mrs. Jack Peters of Weslaco at home from three until five o'clock.

Guests upon their entrance were given tiny white scrolls embossed with "Woodrow-Jeanette, spring."

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mrs. Ethel McKenzie of McAllen. The groom-elect is the son of Mrs. C. C. Goldsmith of Harlingen where he makes his home.

Others present at the tea were received by Mrs. Peters, Mrs. McKenzie, Mrs. Goldsmith, Mrs. Robert Condit of Los Indios and the bride-to-be.

Tea was served at a table centered with a spray of double poinsettias, making an effective contrast against the white linen cloth which covered the board. Mrs. C. C. Woods, Jr., of San Benito poured the tea while Mrs. S. W. Miat of Weslaco presided at the coffee service.

In the other rooms of the house the red and white theme prevailed with red and white gladioli forming an artistic combination.

Miss McKenzie is well known in McAllen where she made her home until her junior year in high school when she went to Harlingen where she was graduated from the high school. At present she is employed in Weslaco where she makes her home with her sister.

Society

VALLEY SUNDAY
Star-MONITOR-Herald

Sunday, January 14, 1940

Section 2

Bridal Courtesy Informal

Recent Mercedes Bride Honoree for Courtesy On Saturday Afternoon

Mrs. Herbert M. Alston is Feted By Hostess Group in Mercedes

MERCEDES — Honoring Miss Betty Maxine Farnsworth of Mercedes, whose marriage to Roy Closner of Houston, will take place Sunday morning, Miss Helen Teal Stotler was hostess at an enjoyable informal gathering at her home on Thursday evening.

The entertaining rooms were colorful in arrangements of winter flowers. In an interesting contest an attractive prize won by Miss Lois Bell, was tendered the honor guest. Miss Helen Teal Stotler presided at the tea table for the serving of refreshments. The honoree received a lovely gift from the group.

Additional guests who were present included Mrs. Lellah Lyle, Mrs. W. E. Perry, Miss Anna Lee Williams, Miss Wilma Lee Pope, Miss Amy Cornish, Miss Maurine Phillips, Miss Edith Dilling, Miss Edwards and Miss Katherine Rogers.

Dance Club to Meet

WESLACO — The LaCamarilla Dance Club will entertain for the January dance at the Cortez Monday night, January 15.

The election of officers and directors for the new year will take place.

Mrs. Ewing Hostess

EDCOUCH — Mrs. W. C. Moore held high score when Mrs. J. B. Ewing entertained Thursday evening honoring members of the Thursday Bridge Club. Autumn flowers were used for decoration.

At the close of the games the hostess served a sweet course.

Mrs. H. C. Alston, mother, and Mrs. S. C. Marr Tsharkana, grandmother of the bridegroom, Mrs. H. T. Tidmore, mother of the honoree, presided at the tea table, serving dainty refreshments.

The honoree wore a black taffeta dinner frock, with matching accessories.

The reception room was gay with poinsettias and greenery. For the lace-covered tea table the centerpiece was a group of white lighted tapers. The many lovely gifts were unwrapped by the honoree.

Others present for this pretty affair were Misses Pat and Bonnie Ellingsen and Dorothy Lee Hawkins, of McAllen. Mary Louise Perrin, Mildred Thames, Helen Teal Stotler, Jackie Johnson, Amy Cornish, Lois Bell, Maurine Phillips, Betty Farnsworth, Daisy Ellen Poutz of Pharr, Betty Jean Shottwell, Winter Martin, Margaret Brown of Edinburg, Ann Wood, Alice Edington, of Weslaco, Mary Edith McFarling of Donna.

Mesdames C. E. Blankenship, Dorothy Costin, L. N. Rice, Virgil Thompson, Howard Shook of Weslaco, Marvin Farley of Weslaco, Chris Bray, Eura Reid, O. Kent Jones, Paul Williams, W. P. Coppen of Harlingen, Don Taylor, Lellah Lyle, L. R. Graham, Pat Mitchell.

Betas Meet Monday

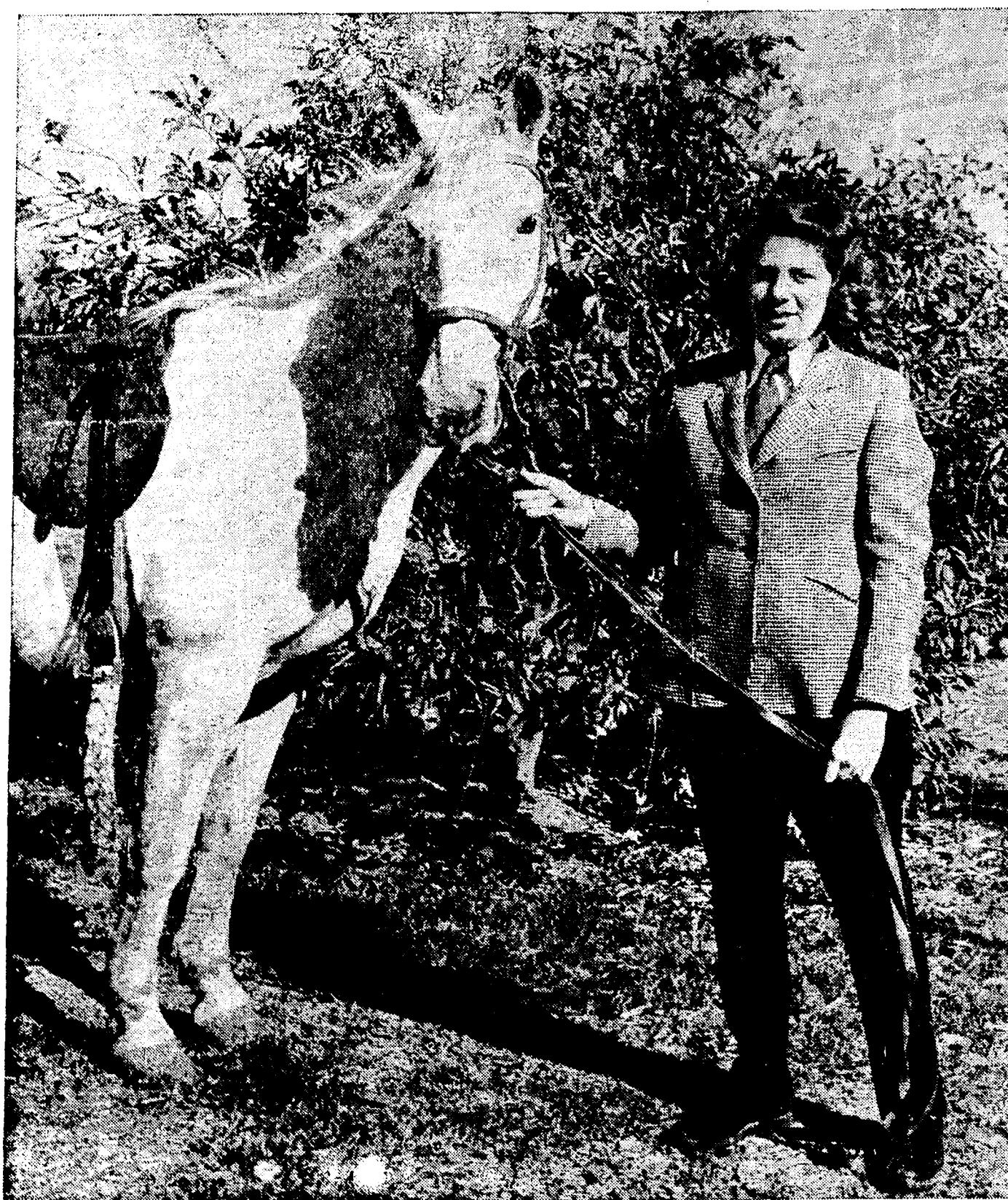
BROWNSVILLE — Members of the Beta Sigma Phi chapter will gather Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Thurman A. Kinder, Jr.



Proud possessor of a sleek Palomino, five-gaited riding horse is Mrs. Esteban Garcia of McAllen, shown with her husband, "Golden Flash," a recent birthday gift from her husband. One of McAllen's most ardent equestriennes,

Mrs. Garcia rides almost daily, especially when she visits her husband's ranch in northern Mexico.

(Harry Pederson Portrait)



Riding is the favorite sport of Miss Sarah Shidler of San Benito, who is a member of Bit and Spur, riding club at the University of Texas, Austin, where she is a student. Miss Shidler, who returned to Austin early

this month after spending the holidays at her home in San Benito, is a member of Kappa Gamma Delta sorority.

(Photo by Holbrook)



Miss Mary Ellen Osborn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Osborn of Harlingen, is another Valleyite who spends most of her recreation in the saddle. Miss Osborn is attending Texas A. & M. College at Kinsville

where she is a favorite with classmates and an outstanding student. She is vice president of Alpha Sigma sorority.

(Photo by Holbrook)

This 'N' That

By Minnie Gilbert

EARLY maturity of plants and flowers in the Rio Grande Valley has become legendary to farmers and gardeners, accustomed to crops or blooms weeks ahead of other sections.

But a camellia blossoms from a plant brought from Houston at Christmastime must be something of a record.

The camellia, a new pink variety, is now opening from a bud at the home of Mrs. J. C. Atchison on Lee Street, in Harlingen. The plant was a gift from her son, John Cook Atchison and was expected to bloom in February.

About 75 blooms were produced by another camellia variety he brought to her from Houston last year.

MRS. E. F. Bonner, San Benito, takes all records when it comes to growing narcissus.

Instead of a half dozen white spikes from a carefully tended bowl of bulbs, Mrs. Bonner gets literally masses of sturdy blooms from luxuriant plants growing in the yard with comparatively little attention.

AN astonishing bit of scientific help in rooting cuttings was handed us this week and, since this is the time to be rooting roses, hibiscus, bougainvillea, and what have you, we'll just pass it on.

Buy from your druggist one gram of Vitamin B-1, directions for the formula start, adding that the druggist will dilute this powerful vitamin in an ounce of water when he gives it to you.

And one drop of the solution added to a gallon of water and used to soak bougainvillea or other cuttings before planting will produce plants in ninety days equal to usual growth made in four to six months.

That's the way it was told to us.

COMBINATIONS of flowers that blend beautifully into arrangements featuring bougainvillea are almost endless, Dr. J. Gregory Conway told flower lovers attending his lectures Thursday and Friday in Harlingen.

He expressed the opinion that except for rather austere arrangements where the showy shrub is used sparingly, purple bougainvillea is most effective when arranged with other flowers in the same color analogy.

Purple petunias, violets, larkspur and the deeper shades on the color wheel, including the reddish violet of E. G. Hill roses, he feels are more effective than the other range extending into the softer colors.

"Use the purple bougainvillea in a white container only in an analogy," he advises; suggesting combining blossoms in shades from reddish violet (E. G. Hill roses); gladioli (rosy pink) and pink (Rombeys).

For a monochromatic arrangement with bougainvillea, that is, flowers of different species, but the same color and similar in weight or feeling, zinnias in a certain shade would be a good choice, he told the class.

Never use red and purple bougainvillea together and don't plant them near each other, he advised, voicing a tabu that most Valley gardeners and decorators have either consciously or unconsciously been observing.

For a complementary arrangement of bougainvillea the flowers should be on the opposite side of the color chart in the same medium color value as the rich color of cup of gold or perhaps lupine but not pure or clear yellow.

VALLEY women are not only growing bougainvillea in their gardens, along the back fence, parks, streets, and school grounds, but they are using them for decoration on any and every occasion.

But they're not going to be monotonous about it.

Plenty of ideas started fermenting during the flower arrangement school and others will be developed.

If Dr. Conway should return a year from next month when the Valley Bougainvillea Trail is officially inaugurated, we'll wager local women could give him some pointers for combinations with bougainvillea.

NEW experience in an entirely different field this writer means to give a whirl is the Gilbert and Sullivan opera coming to the Strand this week. Radics have been spouting music from the revived favorites of the Gay Nineties for months, and chance to see one come to life is on our calendar marked "must." It's the "Mikado" and in technicolor. And to make it a musical week Schubert is showing at another Harlingen theatre.

Part women play in civic affairs is being recognized more widely in recent years by the men.

The past week in Edinburg the Jean McWhorter award for outstanding civic service in 1939 went to Mrs. H. O. Schlaiben, recognition that gives satisfaction to Mrs. Schlaiben's very wide circle of friends throughout the Valley.

Phar Club Starts Activity in Behalf Coming Flower Show

PHARR — Organization of women's forces here to stimulate interest in the National Flower and Garden Show as a cultural and educational enterprise was started today with the appointment of Mrs. E. M. Whitaker, vice president of the Pharr Garden club, as chairman, serving with Mrs. C. E. Self as official hostess who will greet the visitors to the National Flower and Garden Show in Houston, Texas and as vice chairman, Mrs. Kenneth Fox, Mrs. George McCullough and Mrs. Ashley Cawthon. The latter being president of Pharr's Garden club.

ARRIES FOR WINTER

MERCEDES — Mrs. S. C. Barr of Texarkana, has arrived to spend the remaining winter months in Mercedes, with her daughter, Mrs. H. C. Aston and family.

Baby From Alaska Has Fur Outfit

From one extreme to the other seems to be reached in the visit of Mrs. J. G. Stewart of Nome, Alaska, pictured with her little son, beside a loaded orange tree at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sullivan in San Benito. The baby is wholly covered except his face with a suit of fur made with zipper front and parka of white fur. The costume is a novelty in the Rio Grande Valley but is very practical for the climate at his home.

Setting For Study Presented

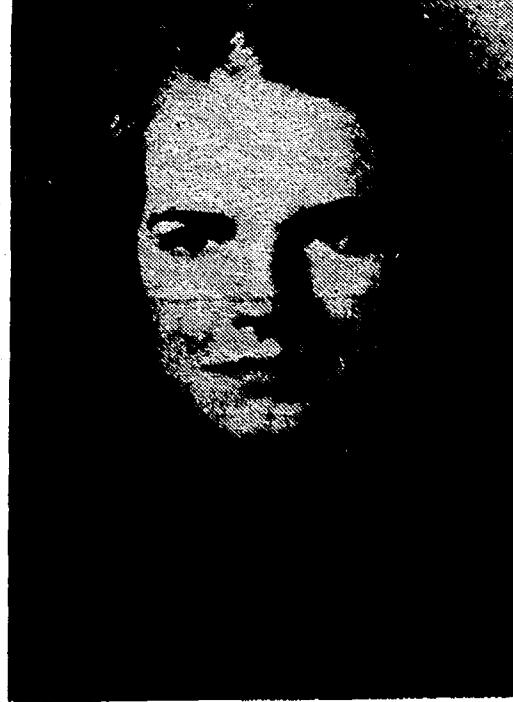
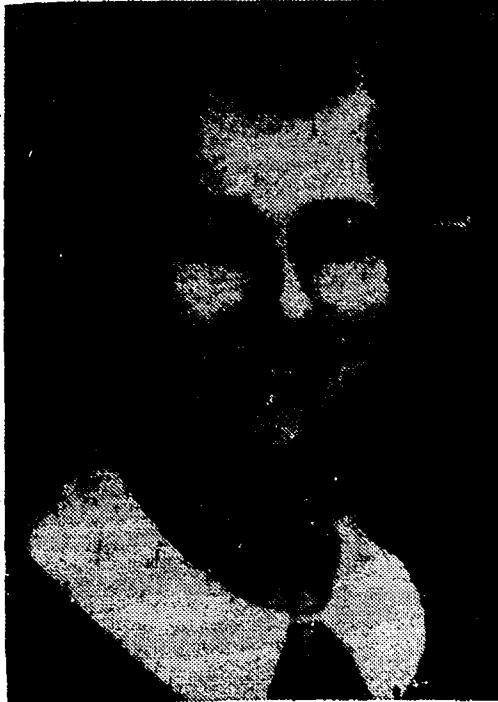
BRONSVILLE—Mrs. C. S. Eldman was program leader for members of the Literature and Arts Review club Friday morning at the home of Mrs. Thurman A. Kinder Jr.

Mrs. Eldman gave the historical background for study of 18th century literature, giving the religious, political, intellectual, and social developments of the period between 1660 and 1789. The most important literary event of that time, she said, was the appearance of the novel in the form in which it is known today. She mentioned the first novel, "Pamela" by Richardson which will be reviewed by Mrs. Winship Hodge at the next session.

Attending the meeting were Mesdames Joseph C. Jordan, G. D. Sutton, James L. Rentfro, C. S. Eldman, R. A. Porter, James L. Abney, Howard L. Cummings, Winship Hodge, Hubert R. Hudson, James A. Maxwell, Jr., M. P. McNair, Rufus Ransome, George J. Toland, Joe K. Wells, Volney W. Taylor, and Penrose W. Hirst, members.

Guests were Mesdames Jack Mace, E. J. Tegarden, Jr., Thomas H. Sweeney, Ralph C. Schmelting, Ted C. Pelikan, O. M. Brundage, Albert Terrazas, Robert M. Duffey, Thomas E. Yett, Thurman A. Kinder, and L. S. Kinder, the last of Los Angeles, California.

Mrs. Taylor will be hostess January 26.

Valley Bride-Elect, Traveler

Mrs. Billy Wood of Harlingen has gone to Clifton, Arizona for a few weeks visit with her mother, Mrs. Mary Yearwood, formerly of Mercedes. Before her marriage in the autumn, Mrs. Wood was Miss Dorothy Jane Yearwood.

(Holbrook Studio)

Initiation Is Observed By Auxiliary**Society Calendar****HARLINGEN**

Monday
8 p.m. Junior Study Club meets at the Woman's Building for open house.

2:30 p.m. High School P-T-A executive board meets in cafeteria.

3:30 p.m. High School P-T-A meets in auditorium for general assembly.

5 p.m. Rainbow Assembly meets at the Masonic Hall.

7:30 p.m. Harlingen Business and Professional Women's Club has dinner meeting at Reese-Wil-Mond Hotel.

Tuesday
2:30 p.m. Executive board meeting.

Baptist Women's Missionary Society at church.

3 p.m. Regular meeting Baptist Women's Missionary Society at church.

3 p.m. Methodist Women's Society of Christian Service meets at the church for social and educational meeting.

3 p.m. Presbyterian Woman's Auxiliary assembles at church for annual foreign mission program.

Wednesday
1 p.m. Lieutenant Thomas Barlow Chapter D.A.R. meets for luncheon at Reese-Wil-Mond Hotel.

3:15 p.m. Music Lovers Club meets at the Woman's Building.

8 p.m. Valley Civic Music Association presents Conrad Theobald in municipal auditorium.

Thursday
3 p.m. Harlingen Garden Club meets at the Woman's Building.

8 p.m. Clubbers Club D. S. meets at the home of Mrs. Pearl Matz, 602 E. Madison.

Saturday
12:30 noon Valley Pan-Hellenic Association meets at Mercedes.

Mrs. P. S. Devine Hostess for Bridge

PHARR — Mrs. P. S. Devine was hostess to her Wednesday Bridge club this week when the guest rooms were adorned with early spring blossoms. The spring theme was depicted further in the game appointed and refreshment courses.

High score trophy was awarded to Mrs. Gene Darby, with Mrs. M. B. Gore receiving second high score.

Special guest of the club was Mrs. Shirley F. Nycum. Members were Mrs. H. L. Gunn and Mrs. T. J. Chidlow of McAllen, Mesdames Gene Darby, M. B. Gore, J. D. Lauck, Tom Hartley, Bryce Ferguson, Dan McLendon, Leland McCullough, Geo. McCullough and Stanley Melton.

Surprise Shower For Recent Bride Pleasing Courtesy

HARLINGEN — A surprise missalicious shower honoring Mrs. E. Warner was given Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. John McMillan and Mrs. Louis Gurlay as hostesses. Mrs. Warner was Mrs. Theora McMillan before her marriage December 28.

Many lovely gifts were presented to the honoree.

A dessert course was served to Mesdames E. E. Campbell, A. D. Campbell, Elsie Barnes, Huff, Ray, Huff, J. B. Williams, Louie Gurlay, A. B. Molder, Lonnie Molder, Melvin Ripley, Frank Frey, Whitley Roy Borritt, Raymond Vaughn, Tom Compton, M. T. Gregory, and J. B. Wilder. Miss Elsie Kilbourne and the guest of honor.

Homemakers Class Names New Officers

McALLEN — Mrs. Jimmie Risinger was named vice president of the Homemakers Class of the First Baptist Church at a meeting last week at the home of Mrs. Leonard Brownlee.

Mrs. Risinger will succeed Mrs. H. C. Stowe, whose resignation was accepted.

Unusual visitation plans were made on which the committee will take action.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served. Yellow and green in calendars and nasturtiums influenced the color scheme of refreshments.

Among those present were Mrs. Ward Timlin, Mrs. L. T. McCollum, Mrs. E. E. Eubanks, Mrs. H. Norwood, Mrs. Hunger Rogers, Mrs. E. L. Watson, Mrs. Kelly Elam;

Mrs. W. D. Anderson, Mrs. Noble Risinger, Mrs. R. B. Vanmeter, Mrs. Jimmie Risinger, Mrs. E. C. Bazar, Mrs. Jack Ginette, Mrs. M. Miller, and Mrs. A. B. Chambers.

ARRIVE FROM OHIO

MERCEDES — Mr. and Mrs. Perry Millkin of Mansfield, Ohio and Mr. and Mrs. J. Austin Parliman of New York, are guests here in the home of Mr. Millkin's aunt, Mrs. D. P. Millkin. This is the first time Mr. Millkin has seen his aunt in 44 years.

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MARQUES FLOWER SHOP

Next to La India Tortilla Factory.

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New Tennis Club Gathers For Business

BROWNSVILLE — An interesting business session was held by members of the Victoria Heights Tennis club Thursday evening at the home of the president, Douglas Largen, when a new officer was appointed.

The club is collecting clothing for layettes for babies and recently were unable to answer one request because of dearth of equipment.

Members said any outgrown, discarded baby or children's clothing would be highly acceptable. Donors may telephone Mrs. Jack Page, Mrs. W. H. Cain, Mrs. Lonard Irving or Mrs. Henry Erdmann and arrangements will be made to call for the donations.

Rebekah Officers Are Installed At McAllen Lodge

MCALLEN — With Mrs. Ethel McKenzie as installing officer, new leaders of the McAllen Rebekah took their positions Tuesday night at the lodge meeting.

Officers include: Carrie Olson, noble grand; Mabel Eastman, vice grand; Margaret Frame, recording secretary; Blanche Johnson, financial secretary; Blanche Slayton, treasurer; Ethel McKenzie, right supporter to the noble grand.

Lucinda Jones, left supporter to the noble grand; Elizabeth Goodman, chaplain; Rosie Gulco, warden; Elma Peters, conductor; Winona Whitten, musician; Ada Larson, inside guardian; Florence Miller outside guardian; Emma Jones right supporter to the vice grand; Margaret Chadwick, left supporter to the vice grand.

Club Is Entertained By Mrs. Sullivan

SAN JUAN — Mrs. L. A. Shaffstall won the club prize, Mrs. Jimmy Dodson the guest prize and Mrs. Walter Good the bingo award Tuesday when Mrs. Patrick Sullivan entertained her bridge club.

Roses in pink and white in flesh vases were used to decorate the living room where the tables were placed.

Present were Mesdames Harry Bigger, H. S. Dean, Burl Stugard, Charles Starlin, F. C. Gordon, Shaffstall, Dodson and Good.

Valley Sextette Will Attend Clinic

SAN JUAN — A popular Valley sextette composed of girls from Pharr, San Juan, and Alamo, expect to attend the Texas Music Educators Association at Mineral Wells February 1, 2 and 3. The group, known as Campus Harmonizers, have assisted at programs for a large number of organizations in their district.

The meeting will be in the form of a state choral clinic with Nobe Cain, noted musician and supervisor of music in Chicago public schools as director.

Next meeting will be January 25 with the sponsor.

Combes 4-H Girls Name New Officers

COMBES — The Combes 4-H club elected officers Thursday at the school when they held their first meeting of the new year. The corps includes: Mattie May Richards president; Frances Kilbourn, vice president; Ruby Sibley, secretary; Elaine Kilbourn, reporter; Melva Jean Matthews, song leader; Edna Wheaton, game leader.

After the business period, Miss Katherine Richards, assistant home demonstration agent, explained requirements for the club exhibit at the Valley Mid-Winter Fair.

Next meeting will be January 25 with the sponsor.

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McALLEN

Second Birthday of Club Is Celebrated With Party

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Assistance On Project Is Sought

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HARLINGEN — Second birthday of the Treble Clef club was celebrated with an especially delightful hospitality Thursday when members met in the home of Betty Lou Williams. The event also honored Beulah Margaret Fairbank who is moving soon to Corpus Christi.

Schumann was the subject for the afternoon's program. Anne

Banquet Slated Jan. 27

HARLINGEN — Plans for the school of instruction, to be held in Harlingen January 27 and to be attended by grand officers of Texas, were discussed at the Thursday meeting of the local O. E. S. chapter. Persons interested in attending the banquet are asked to phone Mrs. Osce Fristoe, 282-W or Mrs. E. J. McClellan, 176, by Monday.

Highlight of the evening was the outstanding tribute paid to J. M. Paine, husband of the present worthy matron and an active member in the chapter for 20 years. Mr. Paine was presented with a life membership as a surprise tribute from the chapter. Presentation was made by Robert Webb with an appropriate poem.

Pleasing refreshments were served by Mrs. Ida Bowersox.

GLEANERS CLASS IS ENTERTAINED

Mrs. S. B. Izzard and Mrs. Ewing D. Clark were hostesses Thursday afternoon to the Gleaners Class of the First Baptist church at the home of Mrs. Clark. Mrs. Sophia Larson was in charge of the business period as president; Mrs. L. C. White gave the devotional and Miss Lily Stroud the prayer.

Mrs. Ruby Whitworth had charge of the entertainment, conducting an intelligence test and games. The hostesses served coffee and cake.

Guests were Mesdames L. A. Wilson, Ruby Witherspoon, D. B. Meadows and W. A. Holt and Miss Lily Stroud. Members present included Mesdames May McIntosh, W. A. Smith, L. B. Holmes, J. A. Wilson, Ruby Whitworth, Katherine Sissell, Lizzie Winsor, Sophia Larson, L. E. White, W. L. Spradling, and E. A. Shelton.

Lyford Class Group Has Monthly Meet

LYFORD — Monthly business meeting of the T. E. L. Class of the Baptist church was held Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Adele Parker Reports indicating satisfactory progress were made.

In the social period the hostess served a dainty salad plate.

Mrs. M. B. Buckley gave the devotional as the meeting opened.

Mrs. Hampton Kennedy



Mrs. Hampton Kennedy is the former Miss Emily Jane Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Clark, of Brownsville, former San Benito residents. Her marriage was celebrated in early January in rites read in Rio Hondo. Mrs. Kennedy, granddaughter of Mrs. L. S. Robinson of San Benito, and the late Mr. Robinson, plans to join her husband in Birmingham, Ala., soon. A number of events have been planned in her honor.

(A. Rogers Photo)

Meeting Is Monday

EDCOUCH — The Delta Legion Post and Auxiliary No. 189 will hold a regular meeting Monday night, January 15, at the high school cafeteria.

Mrs. Mary V. Adkins is chairman for the program on "Rehabilitation and Child Welfare."

Pharr Event Is Surprise For Birthday

PHARR — Mrs. W. R. Walters was honored for a delightful surprise birthday party Wednesday evening, when a number of friends gave a "storm call" at her home.

A variety of early spring blossoms were brought to array the rooms, where series of games were enjoyed. Mrs. Walters was presented with a beautiful lace cloth.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Davis Mr. and Mrs. I. Schlesinger of McAllen, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gamble, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Vandever, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Napper, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Chorpenning, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Delp, Mrs. Cora Walters, Mrs. Verna Hansen, Mrs. T. Ross, Mr. Arnold, W. R. Walters, Bonnie Walters and the honoree. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. C. E. Boren entertained with a delightful surprise party Wednesday evening honoring her son, W. H. Boren on his birthday anniversary. Red roses decorated the home.

Dancing was enjoyed and a salad and sandwich plate was served. Mr. and Mrs. Miller Boren of Edinburgh, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Collins of McAllen, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Boren, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Boren and Joe Guicco were guests.

Child Training Program Topic

HARLINGEN — Mrs. Harvey Richards was leader for the program presented at the Thursday meeting of the Child Study club at the attractive new home of Mrs. Louis Seligman on Dan Moody Street. Topic was "Are You Teaching Your Child to Help Himself?" and members answered roll call by giving experiences of their own along this line.

Gift of a Christmas basket for the family club is helping was reported by the welfare committee. Announcement was made that the group maintains a layette which is available on call by the local welfare worker for a needy mother.

Iced punch and sandwiches were served to thirteen members.

The club will hold a luncheon meeting in two weeks at the home of Mrs. Joe Wood with Mrs. J. C. Thrash as co-hostess. Program will feature a guest speaker.

Mrs. Roe Sorosis President

ALAMO — Mrs. Leonard Davis was hostess for the regular meeting of the Sorosis Club of Alamo on Thursday.

Mrs. Leonard Johnson, president, announced the appointment of Mrs. Arthur Kautsch as courtesy chairman for the remainder of the year.

The election of officers for the next year was held, the following being selected: president, Mrs. Effie Roe; vice president, Mrs. Dick Hodgson; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Frank Denzer.

The study of Sweden was continued, Mrs. W. D. Whalen, program leader introducing Mrs. Arthur Dreke who read her paper on "Religion, Government and Statesmen." A paper on "Education, Science and Athletics" prepared by Mrs. Frank Denzer was read by Mrs. Whalen. Mrs. Effie Roe accompanied by Mrs. Davis sang two solos.

There were seventeen present.

Mrs. Effie Roe and her mother, Mrs. Ada Wilson, were hostesses to Circle Two of the Community Church Ladies Aid Wednesday when they served a one o'clock luncheon to 21 members and ten visitors. A shower was also held for Mrs. Carl Eddy who received many lovely gifts. Mrs. G. L. Cowley will be hostess for next month's luncheon.

Evening Club Entertained By Dierlams

BROWNSVILLE — Mr. and Mrs. Dierlam entertained members of their evening bridge club Thursday evening at their home. Chrysanthemums were used about the home, furnishing a pretty setting.

In the living room the flowers were white, and in the dining room where the buffet supper was served, the bronze blossoms were used.

In the games, Bascom Cox was high. The hostess presented Mrs. Daniel S. Mann of Chicago, Illinois, a pretty remembrance.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Ernst, Mr. and Mrs. Ingram, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Allen, Dr. and Mrs. Roy F. Breden, members, and Mrs. Mann, a guest.

The club will meet the second Thursday evening in February with Mr. and Mrs. Ernst.

Surprise Party Fete Observance Of Natal Date

MCALLEN — Mrs. Vance Davis was honored with a surprise party in observance of her birthday anniversary Monday evening when a group of friends and old neighbors gathered at the Davis home to celebrate the event.

Refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Vandever, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Walters and son Donnie, Mrs. Cora Walters, Mr. and Mrs. E. Gamble, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Vandever, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Napper, Mr. and Mrs. H. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Chorpenning, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Delp, Mrs. F. Ross, Mrs. Verna Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. I. Schlesinger, Vance Davis and Mr. Arnold.

Mrs. C. E. Boren entertained with a delightful surprise party Wednesday evening honoring her son, W. H. Boren on his birthday anniversary. Red roses decorated the home.

Dancing was enjoyed and a salad and sandwich plate was served. Mr. and Mrs. Miller Boren of Edinburgh, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Collins of McAllen, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Boren, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Boren and Joe Guicco were guests.

Valley Pan-Hellenic To Meet Saturday

HARLINGEN — Miss Louise Hill, president of the Valley Pan-Hellenic Association, has announced that the January luncheon meeting will be held Saturday, January 20, in Mercedes. Mrs. Henry Lauderdale is to be in charge of arrangements. Place for the luncheon will be announced later. Reservations may be made with Mrs. Lauderdale.

Miss Margel Decker, Billy Moncus Wed

STUART PLACE — Miss Margel Decker and Billy Moncus were married in Falfurrias January 5. Miss Decker is the daughter of Mrs. Winnie Decker of Stuart Place and graduated from high school here.

The couple will make their home near Combes.

Society Calendar

ALAMO Monday

6:00—Eastern Star meets for a covered dish supper at the Lodge hall in San Juan, regular business meeting to follow.

Tuesday

2:30—Garden club meets at the Community church and then will visit local yards.

3:00—Women's Missionary Society meets at the Baptist church for the monthly missionary program.

8:00—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dreke will be hosts to the combined meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Wednesday

2:30—North Alamo Home Demonstration club.

Thursday

2:30—North Alamo Sunshine club meets with Mrs. Vance Davis at McAllen.

7:30—The Ladies Aid will hold their meeting at the Community church in the form of a tourist party.

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Mrs. R. F. Graham Entertains Club

LA FERIA — Mrs. R. F. Graham was hostess to the Cultural Club Thursday at her home. Arrangements of cut flowers gave a festive air.

In charge of the business period was Mrs. H. S. Hensley, president. Mrs. J. S. Bond gave a very interesting paper on "Poetry."

The hostess served refreshments to 16 members and one guest, Miss Josee Massey, of Robstown.

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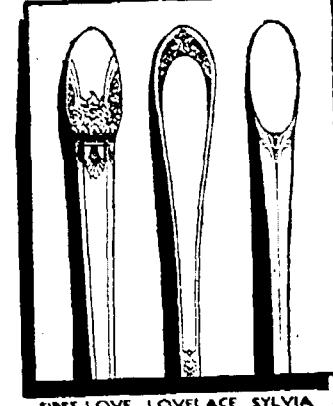
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Mrs. Mike Vandever of McAllen



One of the lovely post-Christmas brides was Mrs. Mike Vandever of McAllen, pictured here at her home in the City of Palms. Both Mrs. Vandever, the former Georgia DeVries, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. DeVries, and her husband are well known and popular in Upper Valley circles.

Jack Lamb To Return To Valley

HARLINGEN — Interesting to lovers of sports and the country's scenic spots is the announcement that the Rio Grande Valley Council of Garden Clubs will sponsor the appearance of Jack Lamb and his motion pictures at the Harlingen Municipal Auditorium Feb. 9 at 8 p. m.

Lamb, noted sportsman, appeared in the Valley last year. The motion pictures he showed at that time were exquisite shots of famous garden and scenic spots in the country.

Announcement of Lamb's coming was made at a meeting of the executive board of the Council meeting here Friday. Representatives of every Valley garden club were present at the meeting, held during the noon recess of the school on Friday arrangement.

Tickets for Lamb's pictures went on sale Saturday and may be obtained at a cost of 25 cents from any Valley Garden club or at the door previous to the performance.

Mrs. W. H. Hall of Harlingen was named general chairman of the Valley exhibit to the National Flower Show at Houston to be held from February 28 to March 5. Final plans on the Valley exhibit will be announced later by Mrs. Hall, Mrs. W. W. Holmes of McAllen, Council president, said.

The next meeting of the Council will be held at La Feria Feb. 9 at 11 a. m.

Members of the executive board were unanimous in their decision to tender a Valley invitation for the 1940 state Federation of Garden Clubs convention. The 1940 session will be held in Temple in April.

Valentine Motif Noted

SAN JUAN — One of the most attractive bridge dinners of the season was given by Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Munro Wednesday night at their home on Stewart Road. Yellow daisies in crystal holders harmonized with the Valentine theme which was carried out in the bridge accessories and prize wrappings. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Reichert were winners of high scores. Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Shaffstall won the bingo awards and Mrs. J. E. Wilkins and Walter Good received the consolation prizes.

The personnel of this delightful party included Messrs. and Mmes. Clark Mellenbruck, J. E. Wilkins, Arthur Reichert, Charles Starlin, Randal Hensley, Walter F. Good, L. A. Shaffstall, Mrs. Patrick Sullivan, Jack Stone and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Marshall of McAllen.

Gladiola Growing Topic For Program For Garden Members

HARLINGEN — Growing of gladioli will be discussed at the meeting of the Harlingen Garden Club at the meeting Thursday at 3 p. m. at the Woman's Building. Mrs. J. B. Chambers is to be the speaker.

Hostesses for the afternoon will be Mmes. M. C. Chandler, Lewis Borgus and L. B. Sherman.

Full attendance of members is especially urged as plans will be made for the exhibit and other details in connection with the Valley Mid-Winter Fair this month.

Scandinavia Topic For Sorosis Club

LA FERIA — The Sorosis club met Thursday night with Miss Cleo Hickman as hostess at the home of Mrs. Moet. The topic for the program was "Epics and Legends of the Scandinavian Countries."

Miss Elsie Thompson, program director, gave "Volusunga Saga" which was the basic story upon which Wagner used for his operas "Das Rheingold" and "Die Walkure."

The five dollar bond of tuberculosis seals which the club had purchased at an earlier date was presented to the club.

The hostess served refreshments.

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One of Edinburg's attractive young women, Miss Harriet Hagedorn, was named honoree for Texas A. & M. College at the University of Texas dance held recently at the Casa de Palmas Hotel in McAllen. Miss Hagedorn, a graduate from Our Lady of the Lake College, San Antonio, is employed in Edinburg at present.

The hostess served refreshments.

Mission Couple Celebrate 63 Years of Wedded Life; Both Active, Mentally Alert

MISSION — Many Valley friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Boatwright joined them in the quiet observance of their 63rd wedding anniversary.

Their only son, Homer Boatwright of Baird, is spending the week with his parents. His wife and the widow of another son, Mrs. John Boatwright, are among other guests.

McAllen Rose Day Success Reported

McALLEN — Rose Day, celebrated Wednesday, was a financial success, Mrs. H. E. Whigham, McAllen chairman said, reporting the local Garden Club selling roses which grossed \$140.

Mrs. Whigham said she expected the net profit to be approximately \$70.

The general committee expressed appreciation for the cooperation given by McAllen merchants and residents.

Proceeds will be used for local beautification. Bougainvillea bushes and carpet grass were planted Thursday on the esplanade, south of the Casa de Palmas hotel. Beautification of that esplanade is a Garden club project.

Literature, Arts Review Club Called In Special Session

BROWNSVILLE — A brief but important meeting of the Literature and Arts Review club has been called for Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock by Mrs. M. P. McFair, president.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting to a large number.

Honoree From Texas A. & M.



Annual Affair Monday

HARLINGEN — Prominent among affairs scheduled for early in the week is the Junior Study Club's annual house to be observed Monday evening at eight o'clock in the Woman's Building. The event is a tradition with the club for the New Year season and junior club members from neighboring towns as well as members of the mother club are to be guests.

An especially attractive program has been arranged, details for which are being kept secret, in accordance with a club custom for several seasons.

BUSINESS WOMEN TO MEET MONDAY

Dinner meeting of the Harlingen Business and Professional Women's Club will be held at 7:30 p. m. Monday at the Reese-Wil-Mond hotel. Miss Virginia Hammer will have charge of the program. Reservations should be made with Mrs. Myrtle Householder.

MRS. H. E. BUTT TO BE SPEAKER

Mrs. H. E. Butt will be guest speaker at the regular meeting of the High School Parent-Teacher Association Monday at 3:30 p. m. at the school. An executive meeting will be held at 2:30 p. m.

ANNUAL PROGRAM TO BE OBSERVED

Annual foreign missions program for the Presbyterian Women's Auxiliary will be observed Tuesday when the group meets at 3 p. m. at the church.

Mrs. Hall Is Honored

MERCEDES — Mrs. Frank Hall of Chicago, formerly of Mercedes, who is visiting relatives in the Valley, was honored at a delightful bridge luncheon, served Mexican style, given by Mrs. H. J. Menton at her home Thursday. Red gladioli and red zinnias accented a color note of red and green, for the reception room, while in the dining room luncheon was served at a long table, marigolds filled blue vases, to note a color scheme of blue and gold. Pottery dishes were used for serving.

Others who found places at the table were Mrs. E. E. Johnson, Mrs. R. E. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Tom Marchbanks of San Benito, Mrs. H. B. Sasey, Mrs. R. H. Kern, Mrs. Jack Martin and Mrs. Ann Scott.

Mrs. James Harter Reviews Book For Child Study Club

LA FERIA — Mrs. James Harter gave a review of the book "Widerness Wife" at the Wednesday meeting of the Child Study Club at the home of Mrs. D. M. McLoud.

A sweet course was served to Messrs and Mesdames Herren, Harry Soether, Charles Pearre, Miller Armstrong, Jr., and the Kethleys.

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Past Matron Honored

PHARO — Mrs. Loren Dumont of Iowa City, Ia., was presented with a lovely gift at the Tuesday night meeting of the Eastern Star Chapter. Mrs. Dumont, a past matron of the chapter and former resident is making a visit here.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting to a large number.

Favorites to Appear On Benefit Program

MERCEDES

Well-known Valley talent will appear on the benefit program to be presented by the South Palm Garden Welfare club Friday night, January 19, 8 o'clock, at the South Palm Garden school according to Mrs. E. C. Kramer, president.

Among those appearing on the program will be Mrs. Herbert Alston, Frank Yoder and daughter, Miss Millicent, of Weslaco, who will give musical numbers; Mr. Cantrill of Weslaco; four members of the Weslaco High School band and the Rio Male Quartette from Donna.

Mrs. Ida Love of McAllen will present a number of her pupils in dance and song numbers. Among those taking part will be Nina Jane Cox of Edinburg, and Jeanette Rucker of McAllen. Tickets will be 10 and 25 cents.

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Society Calendar

McALLEN

Monday
12:30 p. m.—The Pan American Round Table will meet for luncheon at the Casa de Palmas Hotel.
2:30 p. m.—Mrs. D. F. Matthews will be hostess to the McAllen Book club at her home in Pharr.
3:00 p. m.—The McAllen Music Club will meet with Mrs. Scott Dougherty.

Tuesday
1:00 p. m.—Mrs. Jack Denton will be hostess to the Ma Kocha Club at a luncheon.

6:00 p. m.—The Rebekah Lodge will hold the regular meeting at the I.O.O.F. Hall.

Wednesday
2:30 p. m.—Mrs. J. R. Russell will be hostess for the Wednesday Bridge Club.

2:30 p. m.—Members of the Sunny Border Bridge Club will meet with Mrs. Arthur Swain.

3:00 p. m.—The McAllen Study Club will meet with Mrs. H. E. Whigham.

Friday
2:30 p. m.—The Hoit Hammond Industrial Club will meet with Mrs. Truman Bentley.

3:00 p. m.—Mrs. M. R. Nelson will be hostess to the Priscilla Club.

3:00 p. m.—Mrs. Henry Erdmann will be hostess for the meeting of the McAllen Child Study Club.

8:00 p. m.—Called meeting of the McAllen chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star preceded by dinner at the Casa de Palmas Hotel to honor Mrs. Frieda Bernhard, grand matron.

The hostess served refreshments.

Visitor Is From Kansas



Among the most attractive of the post-holiday visitors in the Valley is Mrs. Edward F. Gilligan of Fort Riley, Kans., who with her husband, Lieutenant Gilligan, arrived last week to visit their mutual friends, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Shary. The interesting picture of Mrs. Gilligan was taken at the Shary home in Sharyland. The couple plan to return to Fort Riley next week. Christmas holiday newlyweds, Lieut. and Mrs. Gilligan were married at Fort Riley Dec. 28.

Child Study Head Talks For PTA's

Pharr Club Has Program On Music

LA FERIA — Mrs. Eugene Robinson, president of the Child Study Club, presented the study on "Guided Work for the Pre-School Age Child," and Principal E. R. Morris talked on "Preparation to Earn a Job" at the Wednesday afternoon meeting of the PTA.

Mrs. R. P. Roach directed the business session in which a contest for enrollment of members was inaugurated. A prize is being offered in this. It was voted to assist the band with a cash donation. It was announced that a procedure course study would be held Thursday at the home of Mrs. Roach at 9 a. m., and continuing throughout the day. Any one interested is invited to attend.

Mrs. C. J. Hoverson and Mrs. E. C. Wallace will conduct the study.

Prizes went to Mrs. J. D. Wempe's third grade; Miss Elsie Thompson's fifth grade; and Miss Doris Griffin's seniors.

A special Founders Day program will be given at the meeting in February, to be held in the evening when the fathers will be special guests.

The hostess served refreshments to ten members and a guest, Mrs. Carroon of Ohio.

Club Holds Study Meet

LOS FRESNOS — Mrs. W. G. Cain was hostess to members of the Los Fresnos Home Demonstration Club at her home Thursday afternoon. The program consisted of a discussion on the subject of "How to make our club better."

Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served.

Installation of officers will be held at the next regular meeting on January 25 at the home of Mrs. George L. Goates.

Big Boy Green and his Peacemaker Band furnished an evening of entertainment to large audience on Thursday at the high school auditorium. Proceeds from the entire door receipts were applied to the band sweater fund.

Dainty refreshments were served by the hostesses.

Meeting of the club will be January 24 at the home of Mrs. E. E. Draeger.

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Mrs. Byrd Is Elected President

SAN BENITO — Mrs. O. L. Byrd was elected president of the Woman's Culture Club at the meeting Wednesday held at Miller's Grill. Mrs. Byrd is first vice-president of the Valley Federation of Women's Clubs.

Other officers elected were Mrs. F. C. Williams, vice-president; Mrs. Paul Cowgill, recording secretary; Mrs. Harry Carroll, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Harry Carroll, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Floyd Worth, treasurer; Mrs. Frank Grimell, parliamentarian; and Mrs. Charles G. Todd, critic.

Covers were laid for twenty-two members. The table was decorated in yellow and green. Place cards were in a floral motif.

Mrs. Chas. Barber, president presided during the meeting.

Mrs. H. L. Winnell discussed "Local Taxes" and Mrs. Sweeney's paper was on "Changing Maps."

The Aurora Club met at the home of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson for a study on South America Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. R. J. Bohner, president was leader. She talked on sculpture and literature of this country and Mrs. H. C. Massey discussed paintings by South American artists.

The next meeting will be in the evening January 24th at the home of Mrs. Max Frater in Harlingen when officers will be elected.

MacConachie Music Students to Be Heard In Public Recitals

BROWNSVILLE — Two public recitals planned for the near future will present students in the Margaret Ellen MacConachie studios of Music.

The more advanced pupils will be heard Friday evening, January 26, in the auditorium of the Central Christian church at 8 o'clock. The younger students will be presented Saturday afternoon, January 27, at 2:30 o'clock.

All music lovers are cordially invited to attend, and winter visitors are especially invited.

Sunday, January 14, 1940

VALLEY SUNDAY STAR-MONITOR-HERALD

Mother, Son Newcomers to McAllen

The City of Palms adds a delightful family to her list of residents with the coming of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Brecht and son, "Skipper," here from Pittsburgh, Pa., to make their home. Mrs. Brecht, chic and blonde, and her two-year old fair-haired son are pictured here shortly after their arrival last Sunday. Mr. Brecht directed the cavalcade which was the highlight of the 1938 Fourth of July celebration in McAllen.

*Triple L's Initiate Nine New Members**Artist Surprised By Duplicate Of One Of Own Designs*

HARLINGEN — At the luncheon honoring Dr. J. Gregory Conway and Mrs. Conway Thursday at the Reese-Wil-Mond Hotel, the well-known authority on flower arrangement was surprised to find a duplicate of one of his own arrangements making the table centerpiece. Mrs. Wm. L. Trammell duplicated one of the plates in his book, "Flowers—East, West," using one of his containers which she obtained during a visit to the west coast.

Covers were placed for twenty guests.

Merienda Set Thursday

BROWNSVILLE — One of the early Charro events will be the merienda sponsored by the Altar Guild of the Church of the Advent (Episcopal) at the home of Mrs. J. T. Canales, 505 St. Charles street Thursday afternoon.

The affair will be held between the hours of 3 and 6 o'clock in the afternoon, and the members of the houseparty will be in Charro costume.

The refreshments will follow Mexican theme also.

A cordial invitation to attend has been issued to everyone by the Guild, with a special invitation extended to winter visitors.

A silver offering will be taken.

Robert E. Wagners Give Surprise Dinner for Daughter

BROWNSVILLE — Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Wagner entertained very delightfully Wednesday evening with a surprise dinner party, honoring their daughter, Miss Frances Elizabeth Wagner, on her birthday.

A centerpiece of spring flowers in which pink roses predominated was used on the table in the dining room.

Assisting Mrs. Wagner in entertaining was Mrs. O. King Mason. Guests included eleven girl friends of the honoree.

Circle Gatherings Slated for Monday By Methodists

BROWNSVILLE — Circle meetings will be held Monday afternoon by members of the Women's Missionary Society of the First Methodist church at three o'clock.

Circle one will meet with Mrs. Agnes Gibson at the W. R. Jones home; circle two, Mrs. Willie A. George; circle three, Mrs. George Walker; the Lucy Rae, Mrs. William Harry Moore; the young Matrons, Mrs. Eugene DuBose.

Mrs. Lee Giles Complimented With Surprise Shower

BROWNSVILLE — Mrs. Lee Giles of Denton was pleasantly surprised with a delightful shower at the home of Mrs. J. M. Bryant.

The home was prettily decorated with palms and poinsettias. About twenty guests attended.

Mrs. Giles and her daughter Maxine, have been visiting here in the home of her son, Edgar E. Giles and with friends.

Mrs. Giles leaves soon for her home in Denton.

Guests for Bridge

MERCEDES — Mrs. M. A. Borchart claimed high score honors Wednesday afternoon, when Mrs. Jesse Brothers entertained her bridge club. The games were followed by dainty refreshments. Others present were Mrs. Noa Sisk, Mrs. A. E. Krause, Mrs. L. R. Dornand, Mrs. George Rippert, Mrs. Jesse May, Mrs. Don Hamilton and Mrs. Herbert Dreke, the last guest.

The attendance prize went to Miss Washington's room.

School Participation In Parade Forms Discussion Topic

BROWNSVILLE — Discussion of the school's participation in the Charro Days parade occupied the members of the Victoria Ward Parent-Teacher Association Thursday afternoon at the school.

Mrs. Harriet K. Wood presided in the absence of the president.

A delightful program was presented by the students in the rooms taught by Miss Ofelia de la Garza and Miss Elizabeth Washington.

The attendance prize went to Miss Washington's room.

Officers Selected By Club

HARLINGEN — Officers for 1940-41 were elected at the meeting of the Study Club Thursday afternoon at the Woman's Building. Mrs. J. N. Crawford was re-elected president and several of the other officers were named for a second term.

The entire roster, submitted by the nominating committee and approved by the group, includes Mrs. Keith McCance, first vice president; Mrs. R. M. Loving, second vice president; Mrs. Stanley Bliss, recording secretary; Mrs. M. A. Childers, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Wm. L. Trammell, treasurer; Mrs. Paul Brown, historian; Mrs. Dan Murphy, press reporter; Mrs. J. C. Crosset, critic; and Mrs. F. T. Neary, parliamentarian.

Ballet, developed in the program, made the meeting one of the most informative and enjoyable of the club year.

History of the ballet was traced by Mrs. J. M. Green from its beginning in 1849 in Italy when it was performed only in courts through 1722 when dancers first abandoned masks. Since the last war the ballet capital shifted to London, she said, and has recently been changed to New York.

Mrs. Lloyd Thompson, discussing the ballet Russe, said it was first known to Europe in 1829. She explained the new form differs in that the whole body takes part, creating new steps that advance dramatic action. There are several ballet Russe troupes, she said, including the widely known Monte Carlo coming to Harlingen for a performance this spring.

The extraordinary life story of Nijinsky was related by Mrs. Stanley Bliss who said the dancer is to dancing what Bernhardt is to drama. His contributions to the art he followed, his exile because of departure from the prescribed costume, his sorrow and shock over the outbreak of the war, and the mental decline of his mental powers made the biographical sketch assume the form of an emotional drama. Mrs. Bliss drew most of her material from "Romola", a book written by the dancer's wife to raise funds to keep him in Switzerland.

"Flight of the Swan" was a fascinating talk by Mrs. J. A. Alderdice setting forth the amazing career of Pavlova. She developed especially her marvelous personality and described her debut in "Dance of the Swan" in the Metropolitan Opera. Her protege, Tumara Loumanova, known as the second Pavlova is a member of the Monte Carlo troupe and will be seen in the Valley performance, Mrs. Alderdice said.

The club colors and name were cleverly depicted in the setting for the buffet table in the dining room where pleasing refreshments were served. The hand crocheted cloth was laid over yellow satin. A crystal bowl of yellow calendulas was flanked by gold tapers in holders of crystal, while purple cutout letters spelled the name of the club "Dunkers."

Yellow napkins with the code letters "DS" in the corner emphasized the club colors of purple and yellow. Doughnuts, laid in purple and yellow were served and Mrs. Vassar Matz, the club's most recent bride, poured coffee.

Decoration in the living room stressed a double arrangement of bougainvillea on the mantel, the containers fashioned to represent a woman's head, spilling over with the purple blooms to give the effect of hair. Elsewhere about the room were vases of red roses.

Program leader at the meeting next week will be Mrs. Vassar Matz at the home of Mrs. Pearl Matz, 602 E. Madison.

Nasturtiums Make Colorful Decor For Buffet Supper

MCALLEN — The many bright colors of nasturtiums were used as decorations when Mr. and Mrs. Eric Duke entertained a number of their friends at a buffet supper Thursday night at their home.

During the evening games of "42" and pinocchio were played.

Presents were Mr. and Mrs. Merle Wood, Mr. and Mrs. George Gilstrap, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hixson and Mr. and Mrs. W. Ridderhof.

D. A. R. Chapter To Meet Wednesday

HARLINGEN — January luncheon meeting and program will be held by members of the Lieut. Thomas Barlow Chapter, N. S. D. A. R., Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the Reese-Wil-Mond hotel. Hostesses will be Mesdames Tyre H. Brown, A. J. Pollard, J. B. Cooke, Russell Cherry, T. S. Herren and George Hostfeld.

Theme for the program to follow will be America's Bureaucratic Government with Mrs. C. M. Cash and Mrs. Ben Freudenstein as speakers.

Ohio Guests Named Honorees in Weslaco

WESLACO — Mr. and Mrs. Clegg Soleister were hosts for lovely courtesy Wednesday, honoring Mr. and Mrs. W. Wirt, and Mrs. W. O. Huffman of North Baltimore, Ohio, guests in the Valley for the week.

The decorations for the luncheon were gorgeous arrangements of hydrangeas in shades of blue and pink.

Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rives, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Buss and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Soleister.

GUESTS IN MERCEDES

MERCEDES — Recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Baumgart were Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Southward and two sons, James Orr and Weldon, of Rall, Texas.

Dunkers Club Makes Plans For Gay Event

HARLINGEN — Plans for a barn dance and supper January 30 were made at the Thursday meeting of Dunkers Club, D. S. The business session was in charge of Miss Frances Payne, president, in the absence of Miss Florence Matz, vice president.

New members welcomed into the group were Miss Yvette DuBois, Mrs. Katie Henderson, and Miss Alice Ochsner.

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Amus Club Holds Meeting in Mission

MISSION — A program of unusual interest was presented Wednesday evening when members of the Amus club were guests of Miss Grace Allen in McAlester.

Members were Miss George Allen, San Juan; Miss Eileen Waters, Alamo; Misses Lenore Koller, Mary Catherine Fine Nellie Keating; Mesdames William Massay, Al F. Volz, Mission; Mesdames Harry Berset, Sheldon Smith, E. G. Garza, Bertha Kleekamp, and Joe Allen, McAlester; Mrs. Roger Berset, Oklahoma City; and the hostess.

A dessert course was served preceding the games of bridge. When playing ended Mrs. Ben Shoemaker held high.

Guests were Mrs. Arthur Moore, Mrs. Tol Boswell and Mrs. R. A. Ewing.

Members playing were Mesdames Fred Thomas, Flint Harris, Mary Anderson Poehner, Ben Shoemaker, Jack Ehlers.

D. A. R. Chapter To Meet Wednesday

HARLINGEN — January luncheon meeting and program will be held by members of the Lieut. Thomas Barlow Chapter, N. S. D. A. R., Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the Reese-Wil-Mond hotel. Hostesses will be Mesdames Tyre H. Brown, A. J. Pollard, J. B. Cooke, Russell Cherry, T. S. Herren and George Hostfeld.

Theme for the program to follow will be America's Bureaucratic Government with Mrs. C. M. Cash and Mrs. Ben Freudenstein as speakers.

Ohio Guests Named Honorees in Weslaco

WESLACO — Mr. and Mrs. Clegg Soleister were hosts for lovely courtesy Wednesday, honoring Mr. and Mrs. W. Wirt, and Mrs. W. O. Huffman of North Baltimore, Ohio, guests in the Valley for the week.

The decorations for the luncheon were gorgeous arrangements of hydrangeas in shades of blue and pink.

Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rives, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Buss and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Soleister.

GUESTS IN MERCEDES

MERCEDES — Recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Baumgart were Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Southward and two sons, James Orr and Weldon, of Rall, Texas.

For All Kinds of BEST QUALITY MEATS At Lowest Prices in Town

AYALA MEAT MARKET Inside City Market

Guests From Alabama

Much entertained during their Valley visit, Miss Bernice Stroudemeire, (left) and Mrs. Lucius Polk, Jr. (right) with Mr. Polk have departed for their homes in Tuscaloosa, Ala., after a holiday stay with Mr. Polk's mother, Mrs. Virginia Polk in Pharr. Mr. Polk is a young Alabama attorney and former Pharr resident. Mrs. Polk, a member of a prominent Alabama family, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Brown of Tuscaloosa and known over that state as an athlete. (Kerr Studio)

Sunday, January 14, 1940

VALLEY SUNDAY STAR-MONITOR-HERALD

Six New Completions Highlight Oil Development In South Texas Fields

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Would You Buy

a modern 5-room house, well located in the City of Harlingen for \$1700.00. \$400.00 cash, the balance payable \$20.00 per month.

Would you buy a certified 10 acre citrus grove in Adams Gardens, 40 percent Marsh pink, a perfect grove for \$2500.00, part cash, balance liberal terms. This grove will pay 20 percent net dividends if properly cared for.

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Modern 6 room house, well located—\$30.00.

5 room house, E. Polk St.—\$35.00.

4 room furnished duplex, good location—\$32.50.

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EXTRA SPECIAL

New Brick Home — Ultra Modern — Gorgeous grounds, on Hi-way, 990 feet frontage, 30 acres fruit 40% of it oranges. All in perfect condition. You must see this to appreciate it. Prices and terms on application.

20 acre orchard 9-year old, New Modern House. This adjoins McAllen on the west. The price unbelievable—\$6500 half cash.

36 acre choice orchard near Mission. Good House. Orchard 40% oranges—all loaded with extra fine fruit. If bought by January 15th, fruit included. All for \$11,400—A great bargain.

16 acres near Mission—Half oranges—good house—with fruit at \$7.120—Just cannot beat it.

A Valley property of two duplexes that rent for \$30 per unit and never vacant. Grounds 150x150 landscaped. Also includes 6 room owners' residence. Wonderful condition. Duplexes and Home furnished complete modern. The price for all—\$8,400—a fine home and living income for you.

ATTENTION
THE VALENCIA COURTS
are for sale. This is the best BUSINESS in the Valley. Half cash, half on time.

An established going business in McAllen, and a good payer too. It can be bought for \$4500. Information only given to those meaning business. Curiosity not to be satisfied.

A fine business corner on Broadway 50x140. The best buy in McAllen at \$6,000.

Fine 20 acre orchard, 3 miles N. W. Mission. Splendid set of improvements costing \$12,500. Whole property at 70% of cost of improvements. Wonderful for chickens too. See us about this.

FINEST OF HOMES AND TWO ACRES ADJOINING MISSION. GROUNDS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL WITH RARE AND EXOTIC TREES AND SHRUBBERY AND THE CHOICEST OF FRUITS. THE PRICE VERY LOW AND A TRULY GENTLEMANS HOME. SHOWN BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.

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OWNER WILL TRADE Missouri farm and property for Valley property. Give full description. Here two weeks. Box 204, Mercedes

17. NOTICES

17a Travel Opportunities

YOUNG MAN who drove us to Valley wants ride to Kansas City—Would drive or share expense. Robert Finley, Tabor Courts, San Benito. Phone 9511.

McALLEN REYNOSA BUS LINE

McALLEN to REYNOSA

8:30 A.M.	2:00 p.m.
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TEXAS GLAMOUR GIRL SCORES TRIUMPH

'Texas Cavalcade' Shows Beauty Spots Of Valley

Capital And Arcadia Feature Thrilling Technicolor Film On Section

FACTS about Texas and the Valley that many thousands of Texans do not know and thousands more have never imagined are presented to motion picture audiences in the inspiring technicolor film "A Cavalcade of Texas," which is scheduled for showing Tuesday and Wednesday at both the Capitol Theatre in Brownsville and the Arcadia Theatre in Harlingen.

Produced originally by James A. Fitzpatrick, world-famed traveler and film producer for showing at the New York World's Fair, the picture is having its first exhibition in Interstate Theatres due to the failure of the state to complete its building in New York.

The Rio Grande Valley and Valley citrus groves are shown in the film and many Texas notables are introduced including Vice-President John N. Garner, James V. Allred, Governor W. Lee O'Daniel, Lieut. Gov. Coke Stevenson and Congressman Richard Kleburg, of the King Ranch.

During the fifty minutes of footage audiences will be carried by the magic of the film camera from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande Valley and from El Paso and the Big Bend country to the East Texas oil fields and lumber camps with dozens of visits to the leading cities, smaller towns, historic landmarks, beauties of the countryside highways, and industrial centers.

"A Cavalcade of Texas," is booked as a special added attraction on the same program with "Tower of London" at the Capitol Theatre and with "We Are Not Alone" at the Arcadia Theatre.

JAMES STEWART STARRED IN NEW HIT

FABLED WASHINGTON, Shrine of Democracy built of the spirit of a thousand patriots, mighty capital whose will shapes the destinies of main streets and dynasties. Out of its treasure of mystery and intrigue, romance and adventure, diplomacy and might, the genius of Frank Capra has brought to the screen the heart of America in the great American motion picture, "Mr. Smith Goes To Washington" starring James Stewart and Jean Arthur.

In the title role of Jefferson Smith, Stewart brings youthful charm and earnestness and idealism to the picture and bids for the Academy Award for the year. Jeff is the head of his state's Boy Rangers, and when a vacancy in the United States Senate has to be filled, his name comes to the attention of the ruling political forces who want the appointee to be a harmless and inexperienced tool.

Jeff goes to Washington unconscious of the fact that he is helping to betray the ideals he holds so dear. Miss Arthur, his secretary, is prone to scoff at him, but she falls in love with the human, honest youth. Little by little Jeff learns that he is being victimized. Climaxing scenes in "Mr. Smith Goes To Washington," flowering out of rich antecedent material, reveal Capra and his cast at their best. As Stewart revolts, the party machine fights back and the whole nation takes sides in a bitter fight to the finish. The picture rises to truly memorable heights.

Featured parts in the large cast present Claude Rains, Edward Arnold, Guy Kibbee, Eugene Pallette, Thomas Mitchell, Beulah Bondi, H. B. Warner, Astrid Allwyn, and Ruth Donnelly.

"Mr. Smith Goes To Washington" is scheduled for showing Sunday and Monday at the State Theatre in Mercedes and at the Capitol Theatre in Brownsville, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

JOAN BENNETT SEEN A GLAMOUR GIRL

JOAN BENNETT, is cast as a glamour girl in the hilarious new comedy romance, "The Housekeeper's Daughter," with Adolphe Menjou, John Hubbard and William Gargan in featured supporting roles.

The story concerns the mad and merry antics of a group of amateur and professional detectives who try to solve the mysterious murder of a Broadway play girl in a swanky town house of a socially prominent family.

In this hilarious group, whose various members are working at cross purposes, are the beautiful and alluring housekeeper's daughter, two screwy newspapermen, a mob of zany gangsters and a psychopathic homicide. A news hound solves the murder after he has terrorized a gang of underworld hoodlums by shooting off firecrackers.

"The Housekeeper's Daughter" is scheduled for showing Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Palace Theatre in McAllen.

SWANEE RIVER FEATURES FOSTER MELODIES

THE FAMOUS melodies that are America's only real folk music, and the thrilling story of the man who wrote them, come to the screen in the screen's thrilling musical "Swanee River," co-starring Don Ameche, Andrea Leeds and Al Jolson in "Swanee River," scheduled for current showing Sunday and Monday at the Rivoli Theatre in San Benito.



Sonja Henie and Robert Cummings in "Everything Happens at Night," scheduled for showing Sunday and Monday at the Palace Theatre in McAllen; Tuesday and Wednesday at the Ritz Theatre in Weslaco and at the State Theatre in Mercedes, Thursday and Friday.



Don Ameche co-starred with Andrea Leeds and Al Jolson in "Swanee River," scheduled for current showing Sunday and Monday at the Rivoli Theatre in San Benito.

Jack Dempsey's Big Fight Seen In Film

Jack Dempsey, the greatest of heavyweight champions and the fighter that never pulled a punch, comes to the screen for the first time in "The Birth of a Champion," showing Sunday and Monday at the Queen Theatre in Brownsville.

The actual films of Dempsey's bout with Jess Willard in July, 1919, at Toledo, Ohio, are shown in "The Birth of a Champion."

"Swanee River" is scheduled for current showing Sunday and Monday at the Rivoli Theatre in San Benito and is filmed in full-color.

JAMES HAMILTON NOVEL IS FILMED

PAUL MUNI plays a modern young doctor in his latest, starring picture "We Are Not Alone," with Jane Bryan, Flora Robson, Una O'Connor and Raymond Severn in featured supporting roles.

The film which is based on James Hamilton's novel of the same title presents Muni in the role of a country doctor in a small English town. His simple pleasures are his pipe, his violin and the occasional hour he has free to spend with his small son. Then into the even tenor of his days comes Leni, the little Australian dancer, whom he snatches back from death she has sought to inflict upon herself because she is friendless and alone. The two are drawn together by a strange fascination, a mutual need for understanding. With his wife's consent, he hires her as governess for the little boy.

"We Are Not Alone," is scheduled for showing Tuesday and Wednesday at both the Arcadia Theatre in Harlingen and the Palace Theatre in McAllen and at the Rivoli Theatre in San Benito Wednesday and Thursday.

RIVOLI SAN BENITO
• SUNDAY-MONDAY •

THRILLINGLY ON THE SCREEN
The colorful days of minstrels and river boats! The drama of a romance that put America's joys and sorrows to music.
Don Ameche
Al Jolson
IN
SWANEE RIVER
Photographed in Technicolor
WITH
FELIX RICHARD
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MARY MARTIN AND ALLAN JONES IN "THE GREAT VICTOR HERBERT"

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